April 17, 2019 7:20 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, MANGO, MIGLIACCIO, NEYHART, PENTA

ABSENT:

CIOFFI

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Councilman Bray moved the approval of the minutes of the March 20, 2019, caucus meeting. Seconded by Councilwoman Mango and carried upon the following roll call vote:

AYES:

BRAY, MANGO, MIGLIACCIO, NEYHART

NAYS: ABSENT: NONE

ADSENT:

CIOFFI

ABSTAIN:

PENTA

Councilman Bray moved the approval of the minutes of the March 20, 2019, executive session meeting and approved the release of all pages except pages 2, 5, and 6. Seconded by Councilwoman Mango and carried upon the following roll call vote:

AYES:

BRAY, MANGO, MIGLIACCIO, NEYHART

NAYS:

NONE

ABSENT:

CIOFFI

ABSTAIN:

PENTA

Councilman Bray moved the approval of the minutes of the March 20, 2019, council meeting. Seconded by Councilwoman Mango and carried upon the following roll call vote:

AYES:

BRAY, MANGO, MIGLIACCIO, NEYHART

NAYS:

NONE

ABSENT: ABSTAIN:

CIOFFI

PENTA

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

Mayor Tucci advised the public that the Borough's Local Historian and President of the West Long Branch Historical Society, Arthur Green, appeared before the Mayor and Council earlier this evening to give an update on their projects. Among other things, he reported that the Historical Society started a Facebook page called "Historic West Long Branch, New Jersey."

Councilman Bray announced that Gloria Tartaro passed the exam to become a Certified Municipal Registrar.

Councilman Bray stated that the Borough Attorney spoke to the Planning Board/Zoning Board Attorney concerning the ordinance to increase the escrow fee schedule for Board applications. As a result, he pointed out that Ordinance No. O-19-5 was on tonight's agenda for introduction.

Councilwoman Mango reported on the following items:

- The Shade Tree Commission would be celebrating Arbor Day on May 2nd, at 12:30 PM, at Shore Regional High School.
- The Environmental Commission has set Saturday, May 4th, from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM, as the next semi-annual recycling day. She reported that this event would include a food drive in support of the Lutheran Church of the Reformation; collection of flags and eyeglasses; a dumpster for electronics; and document shredding.
- 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 26th, and at Police Headquarters on Saturday, April 27th.
- The Recreation Commission would be sponsoring the Easter Egg Hunt on April 20th, at 10:30 AM, at the West Long Branch Community Center.
- The Fishing Derby was scheduled for June 8th.
- The flowers would be distributed on May 18th for the beautification of the various Borough properties.

Councilman Migliaccio reported that progress was being made on the repairs to the Police building.

Councilman Neyhart added that the hours for the National Prescription Drug Take Back Day at Police Headquarters on April $27^{\rm th}$ mentioned earlier by Councilwoman Mango would be from 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM.

Councilman Neyhart stated that he had the honor of witnessing Officer Nick Ferrugiaro take his Oath of Office for the rank of Corporal on Monday afternoon at Borough Hall.

Councilman Neyhart encouraged everyone to report suspicious activity immediately.

Councilman Penta announced that the Borough was selected to receive a grant in the amount of \$225,000 through the New Jersey Department of Transportation Municipal Aid Program for sidewalk improvements along portions of Wall Street. He noted that the Borough applied for this funding twice before, but was denied.

The Borough Administrator had nothing to report.

The Borough Clerk had nothing to report.

The Borough Attorney had nothing to report.

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

COMMUNICATIONS:

The Borough Clerk made reference to the following letter, dated April 3^{rd} :

Dear Mayor Tucci:

Thank you for your application requesting funds for your municipality under the New Jersey Department of Transportation's (NJDOT) Fiscal Year 2019 Municipal Aid Program.

Unfortunately, the NJDOT is unable to provide a Municipal Aid grant for the

Delaware Ave, Linden Ave, and Laurel St. Improvements Project. The Municipal Aid Program continues to be a popular and competitive program. This year's solicitation resulted in 681 applications requesting more than \$378 million of the \$151.25 million available. NJDOT makes every effort to fund as many projects as possible, but the funding needs far exceed available resources.

NJDOT encourages you to apply for the upcoming Fiscal Year 2020 Municipal Aid Program. Please contact our Local Aid District Offices for assistance in developing an application.

Thank you for applying.

Sincerely,

Laine Rankin Director

Division of Local Aid and Economic Development

The Borough Clerk made reference to the following report, dated April $2^{\rm nd}$, from the Tax Collector:

Re: Monthly Report from the Tax Collector

For the Month of March 2019

To Mayor and Council Members:

Property Tax Collected for 2018 & Prior	\$68,918.49		
6% Penalty Collected	\$2,109.08		
Property Tax Collected for 2019	\$205,678.24		
NSF Reversal (2019)	\$0.00		
Total Interest Collected	\$11,157.68		

Sincerely,

Ashlesha Deshpande Tax Collector Borough of West Long Branch

The Borough Clerk made reference to the following letter, dated April $9^{\rm th}$, addressed to the Public Works Director:

Dear Mr. Reed,

Please accept this letter as notice that I will be resigning from my job here at the Borough of West Long Branch Public Works, two weeks from today's date.

Thank you for the support and the opportunities you have provided me over the course of the last year and a half. You and our team have created a climate that makes it a pleasure to come to work each morning, and I will miss you all.

If I can do anything to help with your transition in finding and training my replacement, please let me know.

Sincerely,

Thomas Varricchio

ORDINANCES:

ORDINANCE NO. O-19-5

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

WHEREAS, the Borough has been running into a chronic problem with the amounts posted in escrow by developer applicants being insufficient to cover the costs, with the attendant staff requirements to interface with the Board and applicant regarding the posting of sufficient amounts, and the effect of scheduling matters for insufficient escrows remain; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has reviewed the escrow fee schedules of neighboring towns, only to find that the West Long Branch fee schedule is substantially lower than other municipalities; and

WHEREAS, the escrow fee schedule has not been modified for at least the last eight years, thereby requiring a review and update;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Borough Council of the Borough of West Long Branch that Ordinance 18-14.3 be amended to read as follows:

SECTION 1.

The escrow to be posted for both use variance applications and for bulk variances, requests for interpretation of zoning ordinances and appeals from Zoning Officer's decisions or denials shall be \$850.00.

SECTION 2.

This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon passage and publication according to law.

Councilman Bray moved to approve the above ordinance on its first reading and to set the public hearing on this ordinance for May 1, 2019, at 7:00 PM. Motion was seconded by Councilman Neyhart and carried upon the following roll call vote:

AYES:

BRAY, MANGO, MIGLIACCIO, NEYHART, PENTA

NAYS:

NONE

ABSENT:

CIOFFI

NONE

ORDINANCE NO. O-19-6

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

Ordinance No. O-19-6 is read on its second reading by title only.

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

AYES:

BRAY, MANGO, MIGLIACCIO, NEYHART, PENTA

NAYS:

NONE

ABSENT:

CIOFFI

ABSTAIN:

NONE

Ordinance No. O-19-6 was published in the Asbury Park Press in the issue of April 6, 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.

Vincent Lepore, 33 Ocean Terrace, Long Branch, asked Councilman Bray to

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explain why there was a demonstrative need to go from 2.5% to 3.5%. Councilman Bray replied that this ordinance was important because it established a CAP bank.

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

ORDINANCE NO. O-19-6

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

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

AYES:

BRAY, MANGO, MIGLIACCIO, NEYHART, PENTA

NAYS:

NONE

ABSENT:

CIOFFI

ABSTAIN:

NONE

RESOLUTIONS:

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE CERTIFIED LIST OF WEST LONG BRANCH FIRE DEPARTMENT MEMBERS WHO QUALIFIED FOR CREDIT UNDER THE LENGTH OF SERVICE AWARDS PROGRAM FOR THE YEAR 2018 (R-19-67)

Resolution No. R-19-67 was carried to the May $1^{\rm st}$ meeting since Councilman Cioffi, who serves as the Liaison to the Fire Department, was not present this evening.

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE CERTIFIED LIST OF WEST LONG BRANCH EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES MEMBERS WHO QUALIFIED FOR CREDIT UNDER THE LENGTH OF SERVICE AWARDS PROGRAM FOR THE YEAR 2018 (R-19-68)

Resolution No. R-19-68 was carried to the May $1^{\rm st}$ meeting since Councilman Cioffi, who serves as the Liaison to the Emergency Medical Services, was not present this evening.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

NONE

NEW BUSINESS:

Councilman Bray moved to approve Raffle License 19-16 – Monmouth University, Inc. Seconded by Councilwoman Mango and carried upon the following roll call vote:

AYES:

BRAY, MANGO, MIGLIACCIO, NEYHART, PENTA

NAYS:

NONE

ABSENT:

CIOFFI

NONE

BILLS AND CLAIMS:

Councilman Bray moved to approve the following bill list:

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P.O. Typ				ct Line Items: Yes	Open: N	Paid: N	Void: N	
	e: First t: Conden		Last		Rcvd: Y Bid: Y	Held: Y State: Y		Exempt:
P0 #	PO Date	Vendor		PO Description	Status	Amount	Void Amount	РО Туре
	04/25/18		TAYLOR FENCE COMPANY	PARK MAINTENANCE	0pen	67.20	0.0	
	11/08/18 11/13/18		BOUND TREE MEDICAL LLC PROVANTAGE	F.A.S. UNIFORMS POLICE - EQUIPMENT	Open	1,145.55	0.0	
	12/13/18		BOUND TREE MEDICAL LLC	F.A.S. UNIFORM SUPPLIES	Open Open	7.00 1,145.55	0.0	
18-01703	12/20/18	в0067	BOUND TREE MEDICAL LLC	F.A.S MEDICAL SUPPLIES	Open	1,381.58	0.0	
	12/26/18		SHI INTERNATIONAL CORP.	FIRE - COMPUTER EQUIPMENT	Open	2,192.63	0.0)
	12/27/18 12/27/18		SIP'S PAINTS AND HARDWARE	DPW CDOINDS CHOW BEHOVE	Open .	17.98	0.0	
	12/31/18		JOHN GUIRE COMPANY SEA VIEW JEEP	DPW GROUNDS - SNOW REMOVAL POLICE VEHICLE REPAIRS/PARTS	Open Open	699.99 404.80	0.00	
	01/31/19		ART'S EMBROIDERY LLC	CODE ENFORC-UNIFORMS	Open Open	530.00	0.00	
	02/02/19		SAFE-T	FIRE DEPT EQUIPMENT	Open .	325.39	0.00	
	02/17/19		STAPLES ADVANTAGE	OFFICE SUPPLIES - FINANCE	Open	126.25	0.00	
	02/19/19 03/02/19		ALL COMM TECHNOLOGIES	FIRE	0pen	856.00	0.00	
	03/02/19		MR. JOHN, INC. GEESE PATROL	PUB BLDGS PARK - MAINTENANCE ENVIRON-GEESE CONTROL 2/2019	Open Open	122.37 1,945.00	0.00	
	03/03/19		ATLANTIC SECURITY & FIRE, INC.			1,244.00	0.00	
	03/03/19		STAPLES ADVANTAGE	FIRE PREVENTION - TONER	Open	292.32	0.00	
	03/05/19		RUTGERS THE STATE UNIVERSITY	PLANNING & ZONING PROGRAM	0pen	793.00	0.00	
	03/05/19		STAPLES ADVANTAGE	A&E OFFICE SUPPLIES	0pen	434.36	0.00	
	03/08/19 03/08/19		WATCHUNG SPRING WATER WATCHUNG SPRING WATER	PUBLIC BLDG - ACCT: #185246	0pen	312.28	0.00	
	03/09/19		QUALITY COMMUNICATIONS 2	WATER-PUBLIC BLDG ACCT:002483 TELEPHONES	Open Open	31.58 305.00	0.00	
	03/09/19		BOUND TREE MEDICAL LLC	F.A.S MEDICAL SUPPLIES	Open	2,504.96	0.00	
	03/09/19		SAFEGUARD DOCUMENT DESTRUCTION		Open	650.00	0.00	
	03/12/19		STAPLES ADVANTAGE	TONER FINANCE CHECK/PO PRINTER		167.79	0.00	
	03/17/19		AVS TECHNOLOGY		0pen	777.40	0.00	
	03/19/19		PARTY PERFECT RENTALS	TRACKLESS TRAIN W/DRIVER	Open Open	675.00	0.00	
	03/21/19 03/22/19		STAPLES ADVANTAGE ALLIED FIRE & SAFETY	A & E OFFICE SUPPLIES VARIOUS PUBLIC BLDG-MAINTENANCE	Open Open	86.60 210.32	0.00	
	03/25/19		G&M TROPHY COMPANY	POLICE EQUIPMENT	Open Open	276.50	0.00	
	03/26/19		ATLANTIC SECURITY & FIRE, INC.		Open	834.00	0.00	
	03/26/19		RELIABLE CLEANERS	PD PATCH SEW ON - ROCKHILL	Open	27.00	0.00	
	03/26/19		RED HAWK FIRE & SECURITY, LLC		0pen	764.26	0.00	
	03/29/19		NEW JERSEY NATURAL GAS CO.	NATURAL GAS VARIOUS DEPTS	Open	4,922.30	0.00	
	04/01/19 04/03/19		SEABOARD WELDING LAURA OSBORN	FIRST AID-OXYGEN/EXTING PFRS REIMBURSEMENT PAYMENT	Open Open	215.00 603.12	0.00	
	04/03/19		STAPLES ADVANTAGE	OFFICE SUPPLIES VARIOUS	Open	143.43	0.00	
	04/07/19		ROBERT KNOTT	EYEWARE REIMBURSEMENT - PD	Open Open	275.00	0.00	
	04/07/19		FEDEX TECH CONNECT	POLICE - POSTAGE	0pen	147.18	0.00	
	04/07/19		NJ LEAGUE OF MUNICIPALITIES	A & E-MEMBERSHIP - 2019	0pen	714.00	0.00	
	04/07/19 04/07/19		SIP'S PAINTS AND HARDWARE MONMOUTH TRUCK EQUIPMENT	PUB BLDGS - MAINTENANCE	Open Open	46.11	0.00	
	04/07/19			DEPT EQUIPMENT REPAIR - MAINT TAX ASSESSOR-TAX RECORD SERV	Open Open	192.00 928.90	0.00	
	04/08/19		NJ CONFERENCE OF MAYORS	A&E-MEMBERSHIP	Open	395.00	0.00	
	04/10/19		K & T MATERIALS CO., LLC	DPW - TRAFFICE MAINTENANCE	Open	375.20	0.00	
	04/10/19		OLIWA & COMPANY	AUDIT FEES	Open	2,900.00	0.00)
	04/10/19		POSTMASTER	BOROUGH CLERK-POSTAGE	Open	225.00	0.00	
	04/10/19 04/10/19		ULINE SHIPPING SUPPLIES	P.D. OFFICE FURNITURE	Open Open	623.04	0.00	
	04/10/19		NEW JERSEY AMERICAN WATER CO. ALLIED FIRE & SAFETY	PUBLIC BLDG-MAINTENANCE	Open Open	7,084.00 94.05	0.00	
	04/11/19		DELTA DENTAL PLAN OF N.J.	DENTAL PREMIUM - 05/2019	Open	1,823.40	0.00	
	04/11/19		NJ LEAGUE OF MUNICIPALITIES	MAYORS REGIONAL ROUNDTABLE	Open	25.00	0.00	
	04/13/19		ASBURY PARK PRESS	BOROUGH CLERK ADVERTISING	Open	171.36	0.00	
	04/13/19		RELIABLE CLEANERS	P.D - MAR, 2019 DRY CLEANING	Open	424.00	0.00	
	04/13/19		ALLIED FIRE & SAFETY	PUBLIC BLDG-MAINTENANCE	0pen	593.00	0.00	
	04/13/19 04/13/19		PURCHASE POWER STATE OF NJ-DEPT OF LABOR	FINANCE OFFICE - POSTAGE PUBLIC BLDG-A/C/HEAT	Open Open	28.09 160.00	0.00	
	04/13/19		NEW JERSEY AMERICAN WATER CO.	HYDRANTS 1018-210026568664	Open Open	7,084.00	0.00 0.00	
	04/13/19		BCM ONE	TELEPHONE APRIL, 2019	Open	60.13	0.00	
	04/13/19		JERSEY CENTRAL POWER & LIGHT	TRAFFIC LIGHTS - ELECTRICITY	0pen	4,050.71	0.00	
	04/13/19		PATRICIA REEVEY	BOOK-KEEPING SOFTWARE FEES	0pen	68.00	0.00	
	04/13/19 04/14/19		CITY OF LONG BRANCH	GAS/DIESEL - ALL DEPTS 03/2019		6,956.08	0.00	
	04/14/19		MICHAEL IRENE, JR. VERIZON WIRELESS	DEV ESCROW LEGAL FEES CELL PHONES MARCH, 2019	Open Open	195.00 1,287.69	0.00 0.00	
	04/14/19		COMCAST	FIRST AID: 8499-05-216-0042620		20.57	0.00	
19-00380	04/14/19	M0219	MARLIN LEASING CORPORATION	A & E COPIER LEASE	0pen	425.10	0.00	
	04/14/19		MONMOUTH COUNTY SPCA	DOG FUND-MUNICIPAL	Open	555.00	0.00	
	04/14/19		MECHANICAL CONSTR SERVICE CORP		Open Open	180.00	0.00	
	04/14/19 04/14/19		MAURICE SCHWARTZ & SONS INC PLOSIA COHEN LAW FIRM	DPW-EQUIP REPAIR LEGAL PROF SERVICES - EMPLOYEE	Open Open	135.00 180.00	0.00	
	04/14/19		SHORE BUSINESS SOLUTIONS	POLICE-POLICE EQUIP/MAINT	Open Open	143.96	0.00	
	04/14/19		PICASSO BUSINESS SOLUTIONS	A&E-COPIER	Open Open	31.74	0.00	
19-00390	04/14/19	C0062	CENTRAL JERSEY HEALTH INS FUND	HEALTH BENEFITS - MAY, 2019	Open 1	19,304.00	0.00	
	04/14/19		ALLIED FIRE & SAFETY	PUBLIC BLDG-MAINTENANCE	0pen	524.70	0.00	
TA-003A5	04/14/19	50027	SIP'S PAINTS AND HARDWARE	PUB BLDGS - MAINTENANCE	0pen	295.85	0.00	

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Totals by Year-Fund Fund Description Fund	Budget Rcvd	Budget Held	Budget Total	Revenue Total	G/L Total	Total
8-01	8,491.82	0.00	8,491.82	0.00	0.00	8,491.82
9-01	234,259.71	0.00	234,259.71	0.00	0.00	234,259.71
9-13 Year Total:	555.00 234,814.71	0.00	555.00 234,814.71	0.00	0.00	555.00 234,814.71
G-01	650.00	0.00	650.00	0.00	0.00	650.00
T-03	195.00	0.00	195.00	0.00	0.00	195.00
Total Of All Funds:	244,151.53	0.00	244,151.53	0.00	0.00	244,151.53

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

AYES: BRAY, MANGO, MIGLIACCIO, NEYHART, PENTA

NAYS: NONE ABSENT: CIOFFI ABSTAIN: NONE

PUBLIC HEARING:

Michael Pagones, 117 Larchwood Avenue, appeared this evening concerning the Monmouth University football stadium. He commented that he attended all of the Board meetings on this matter and that University representatives testified that the new stadium would have small, ground-level speakers emitting 65 dba sound power. The Zoning Board agreed to make that a requirement of approval and University representatives agreed to implement those types of speakers. According to Mr. Pagones, he appeared before the Mayor and Council about a year ago to report that those speakers were never implemented nor installed and to request the Borough's assistance in rectifying the situation. Councilman Bray assured Mr. Pagones that the Code Enforcement Officer and Borough Engineer investigated his complaint at that time, and they attested that the University was in compliance. The Borough Attorney explained that conditions must be included in the approving resolution in order to be enforced. Councilman Bray asked the Borough Administrator to have the Borough Engineer investigate the complaint again.

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

- He recommended that the Borough consider following the Borough of Monmouth Beach's lead by distributing information, such as the Historical Society meeting dates, through a resident email list.
- He requested that the Borough Clerk forward a copy of a letter he would provide from Senator Rice to Governor Murphy concerning the inclusion of an anticipated \$60 million in the State budget from marijuana.
- He indicated that he had reviewed the 2019 municipal budget and understood that the Borough had decided to suspend participation in the Monmouth County Improvement Authority for the next few years and finance capital items locally instead. He then referenced Ordinance No. O-16-7, which was a refunding bond ordinance, and questioned why the Borough bonded \$3,900,000 when the actual amount of bonds was \$3,113,000 with an additional \$90,000 in costs of issuance.

Councilman Bray stated that the Borough implemented this strategy due to concerns about the debt service number increasing too much. Further, he offered to address Mr. Lepore's question in more detail at the public hearing on the 2019 municipal budget when the Chief Financial Officer would be present.

Honey Ornstein, 11 Maryland Avenue, reported that there was a hole on Monmouth Road as you turn off Parker Road. Councilman Penta offered to have the Public Works Director contact the State to ask them to fix it since Monmouth Road was maintained by them.

There being no one else wishing to speak, on motion made by Councilman Neyhart, seconded by Councilman Bray, and carried unanimously, the meeting was adjourned at 8:00 PM.

BOROUGH CLERK