

May 15, 2019
7:10 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, NEYHART
ABSENT: MANGO, MIGLIACCIO, PENTA

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Approval of the minutes of the April 17, 2019, caucus, executive session, and council meetings were held.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

Councilman Bray had nothing to report this evening.

Councilman Cioffi had nothing to report this evening.

Councilman Neyhart read the following Police Report for April 2019.

Motor Vehicle Stops	542	Alarms (Burglary)	42
Motor Vehicle Crash	50	Alarms (Fire)	24
Traffic Citations – Non Parking	368	School Details – BME, FAS, SRHS	118
Traffic Citations – Parking	19	School Details include: Bus escorts, walk throughs, building security checks/contacts	
Drunk Driving Arrests	1	Fire Calls (Structure)	0
Assist Motorists	12	EMS Calls	52
Municipal Code Violations	28	Arrest Total	13

Crimes & Offenses to include: *Theft, DWI; Possession of CDS; Possession of paraphernalia; violation of TRO; Contempt of Court*

April - Total Calls for Service: 2,110

Busiest Day of Week – Monday

Busiest Time of Day – 11:00 – 12:00

D.E.A. Drug Take Back Effort = **16 pounds** of prescription medications were turned over to the MCPO

Professional Development

April 2019

Date	Training/Class	Officers	Hours
4/1/2019	Monmouth University Community Relations Task Force	Gomez	1
4/2-3/2019	MGT-310 Jurisdictional Threat and Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment	Ellis	16

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Date	Training/Class	Officers	Hours
4/2/2019	9a-4p Gang Recognition/Documentation 3322 College Drive, Vineland, NJ 08360	Burton Stroebe	16
4/4,11,18, 25/2019	Traffic Engineering	Buono	32
4/8/2019	Bias Crimes/Incident Liaison Training Middlesex Fire Academy	Ferrugiaro	8
4/11/2019	Traffic Officers Meeting & Car Fit Training	Burton	6
4/11/2019	MCPA Leadership Training	Ellis	6
4/13/2019	Water Safety (Instructor)	Brosowski	8
4/15-17/19	ICS 300	Paolantonio Burton	28
4/15/2019	Crisis Communication and Media Relations	Gomez	8
4/15/2019	Central Monmouth County Active Shooting Partnership	Brosowski	7
4/17/2019	Internal Affairs Meeting	Ellis	6
4/19/2019	Stop Stick Training	Burton, Knott	8
4/19/2019	Rifle Qualification	Ellis, Lynch, Ferrugiaro, Moore, Brennessel	20
4/23/2019	Mental Health Awareness Training	Kampf	8
04/25/2019	NJ Marathon Meeting	Gomez	1
		Total Training Hours	179

Councilman Neyhart stated that flags were flown at half-staff today for Peace Officers Memorial Day to honor all those law enforcement officers who had been killed or disabled in the line of duty.

The Borough Administrator had nothing to report.

The Borough Clerk had nothing to report.

The Borough Attorney had nothing to report.

Mayor Tucci commented on the following items:

- The semi-annual recycling event held on May 4th was a success. She noted that there was a Police Officer and Public Works Laborer at the event to assist.
- This year's Fishing Derby has been scheduled for June 8th.
- Summer Recreation applications would be sent home through the

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schools.

COMMUNICATIONS:

The Borough Clerk referenced the following email, dated May 9th, from the Borough of Eatontown:

Dear Monmouth County Clerks:

Please see attached Resolution 127-2019 Declaring Eatontown a Stigma Free Community.

Regards,

Julie Martin, RMC
Eatontown Borough
(732) 389 7601

RESOLUTION 127-2019

BOROUGH OF EATONTOWN
COUNTY OF MONMOUTH, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DECLARING EATONTOWN A STIGMA FREE COMMUNITY

WHEREAS, the Borough of Eatontown, with the Monmouth County Board of Chosen Freeholders, Monmouth County Department of Human Services, Eatontown Police Department and Monmouth County Sheriff's Office, recognize that one in four Americans has experienced mental illness, including substance use, in a given year according to the National Institute of Mental Health; and

WHEREAS, mental health problems are more common than cancer and heart disease combined, afflict children and adults, including more than half of our Iraq and Afghanistan Veterans treated at Veteran's Administration hospitals; and

WHEREAS, given the serious nature of this public health problems, we must continue to reach the millions who need help; and

WHEREAS, the stigma associated with mental health and substance use disorders is identified as the primary reason individuals fail to seek the help they need to recover; and

WHEREAS, Stigma-Free Communities aim to inspire public interest and open dialogue about stigma, raise awareness of mental health and substance use disorders and creates a culture wherein residents with mental health and substance use disorders feel supported by their community and neighbors, free to seek treatment without fear of stigma; and

WHEREAS, promoting awareness that there can be no "health" without mental health will break down barriers and encourage residents of all ages to be mindful of their mental health and ask for help when needed; and

WHEREAS, local resources are available to treat mental health and substance use disorders so no one needs to suffer alone or feel hopeless; and

WHEREAS, establishing Stigma-Free Communities will raise awareness of resources and encourage residents to engage in care as soon as the need is identified so recovery can begin, hope is inspired and tragedies avoided.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Governing Body of the Borough of Eatontown hereby declare the Borough of Eatontown a Stigma-Free Community and encourages local community groups, including the local and regional Boards of Education, to actively promote stigma free policies.

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Clerk forward a certified copy of this resolution to all Monmouth County Clerks.

	Offered	Second	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent
Council President Kelly						X
Councilman Baginsky			X			
Councilwoman Sherrod		X	X			
Councilwoman Story	X		X			
Councilwoman Rivera			X			
Councilman Loxton			X			
Mayor Talerico						

The Borough Clerk reported that she was in receipt of a Fire Department Application for active membership in Borough Chemical & Truck Company No. 1 for Roberto Muolo.

Councilman Cioffi moved to approve the above application pending confirmation of a favorable background check. Seconded by Councilman Bray and carried upon the following roll call vote:

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

The Borough Clerk made reference to the following letter, dated May 13th, from the New Jersey Department of Transportation:

Dear Mayor/Freeholder Director/County Executive:

On behalf of Governor Phil Murphy I am pleased to announce that applications will now be accepted for the New Jersey Department of Transportation's (NJDOT) Fiscal Year 2020 State Aid programs. This change in the solicitation and notification schedule for the programs listed below will help the municipalities and counties be able to access funds for the next round of projects sooner. **The new deadline for grant application submissions is July 19.** Grant awards are expected to be announced in November.

As you may know, the Transportation Trust Fund Reauthorization Act of 2016 increased funding for Local Aid programs to counties and municipalities from \$190 million per year to \$430 million. The reason for the steep increase is that the majority of New Jersey's roadway mileage – about 90 percent – is under local government jurisdiction and is in as much need of repair as the state roadway network. By announcing the solicitations today, we will be able to address these needs sooner.

I recently announced NJDOT's "Commitment to Communities" initiative that creates new programs and combines existing Departmental efforts to assist local governments in spending the significantly increased level of aid that the reauthorized Trust Fund law affords them. The Commitment to Communities initiative includes a new Resource Center that provides one-stop shopping for local government managers by providing hands-on resources for the application process, raising awareness of grant cycles and proactively communicating pertinent information. Our adjustment in the schedule was initiated by comments from you as well as representatives from the construction industry.

The following is a brief description of each grant program:

- **Municipal Aid** – This \$151.25 million program has been a significant resource in funding local transportation projects. All municipalities are eligible. The Department continues to encourage municipalities to consider using the Municipal Aid Program to fund projects that support walking and biking in

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their communities especially now that additional funds are available. NJDOT has set a goal to award up to 10 percent of the Municipal Aid Program funds to projects such as pedestrian safety improvements, bikeways and streetscapes. An additional \$10 million is provided in Urban Aid for a total of \$161.25 million.

- **Transit Village** – This program will award grants totaling \$1 million for traditional and non-traditional transportation projects that enhance walking, biking and/or transit ridership within a half mile of the transit facility. Only New Jersey municipalities that have been designated as Transit Villages by the Commissioner of Transportation and the inter-agency Transit Village Task Force are eligible to apply. The eligible town list can be found at: <http://www.state.nj.us/transportation/business/localaid/transitvillagef.shtm>
- **Bikeways** – This \$1 million program is intended to fund bicycle projects which create new Bike Path Mileage. It is available to all counties and municipalities. The Department continues to work toward the goal of achieving 1,000 miles of dedicated bikeways in New Jersey. Special consideration will be given to bikeways that are physically separated from motorized vehicular traffic by an open space or barrier, but on-road bike lanes and other bike routes and facilities are also eligible for funding.
- **Safe Streets to Transit** – The intent of this program is to encourage counties and municipalities to construct safe and accessible pedestrian linkages to transit facilities, in order to promote increased usage of transit by all segments of the population. A total of \$1 million is available for grant awards.

All projects funded through the Transportation Trust Fund must comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). ADA guidance, program descriptions and application guidance materials can be found on the NJDOT website at: <http://www.state.nj.us/transportation/business/localaid/stateaid.shtm>

If you choose to apply, please be aware that Municipal Aid regulations require projects receiving this type of aid to award a construction contract within 24 months from the date of grant notification.

I encourage you to submit applications for these Local Aid programs. Each program application will be evaluated independently, affording counties and municipalities the opportunity to receive funding in more than one category.

The enclosed map provides contact information for each Local Aid District Office. I recommend that you consult with your Local Aid District Office to assist in preparing applications for funding. Please keep in mind that a separate application for each project must be completed and submitted on or before July 19, 2019, online through the Department's electronic grants administration system, known by its acronym SAGE, at: <https://njsage.intelligrants.com/Login.aspx?APPTHEME=NJSAGE>

As Commissioner of Transportation, I am committed to maintaining and improving New Jersey's local transportation infrastructure by providing financial assistance, technical expertise and training in surmounting the application process for traditional and non-traditional local transportation initiatives. Our counties and municipalities will be well positioned to design and construct important local projects without the need to impact property taxes. Your success in building projects and spending the additional capital will mean success not only for your constituents, but for the entire state.

Thank you for your continued interest and support of NJDOT, and best wishes for success with your project applications.

Sincerely,

Diane Gutierrez-Scaccetti
Commissioner

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The Borough Clerk made reference to the following letter, dated May 6th, addressed to the President of West Long Branch Fire Company No. 2:

Dear Mr. President and Members of West Long Branch Fire Company No. 2

Please accept my resignation from active firefighter status within the West Long Branch Fire Department.

Thanks for all your continued support you have given me over the years as a member, officer and fire chief.

Thanks in advance.
Patrick Joyce

ORDINANCES:

NONE

RESOLUTIONS:

Councilmember BRAY offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION HIRING SUMMER RECREATION PROGRAM DIRECTOR
(R-19-74)

WHEREAS, there is a need to fill a vacancy in the position of Summer Recreation Program Director; and

WHEREAS, the Administrator and Recreation Commission Chair conducted interviews for this position; and

WHEREAS, it is their recommendation that ARIANNA F. MINAIDIS, 49 East Highland Avenue, Atlantic Highlands, New Jersey 07716, be hired to fill the position of Summer Recreation Program Director since she meets the qualifications;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of West Long Branch that ARIANNA F. MINAIDIS be hired as the Summer Recreation Program Director at a salary of \$5,400.00 for 2019; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that her continued employment is conditioned upon the favorable completion of her fingerprint check.

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

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

Councilmember BRAY offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION HIRING SUMMER RECREATION PROGRAM ASSISTANT DIRECTOR
(R-19-75)

WHEREAS, there is a need to fill the position of Summer Recreation Program Assistant Director; and

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WHEREAS, JEFF LA BUSH has expressed his desire to return to this position for 2019; and

WHEREAS, it is the recommendation of the Administrator and Recreation Commission Chair that JEFF LA BUSH be re-hired to the position of Summer Recreation Program Assistant Director since he meets the qualifications;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of West Long Branch that JEFF LA BUSH be hired as the Summer Recreation Program Assistant Director at a salary of \$3,678.12 for 2019; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that his continued employment is conditioned upon the favorable completion of his fingerprint check.

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

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

NONE

NEW BUSINESS:

Councilman Cioffi urged residents who noticed code violations to call the Code Enforcement Officer at his office rather than reporting it on social media.

The Borough Attorney reminded everyone that the Ordinance Review Committee was scheduled to meet the next day at 6:30 PM, but wanted to know if it was possible to move the time to 6:00 PM. Councilman Bray advised that Councilman Migliaccio was going to attend in his place. The Borough Attorney indicated that he would reach out to the other members of the Committee who were absent regarding his request.

Councilman Neyhart invited everyone to attend the West Long Branch Community Center's Spring Soiree on Friday, May 17th, from 7:00 PM to 11:00 PM, at a cost of \$50 per person.

BILLS AND CLAIMS:

Councilman Bray moved to approve the following bill list:

ATLANTIC TACTICAL	MCIA-17	POLICE VEHICLE	15,505.00
T&M ASSOCIATES		'17 ROAD IMP PROGRAM	2,538.75
WILDLIFE CONTROL SUPPLIES		ANIMAL CONTROL ORDER	485.04
KEYPORT ARMY + NAVY	DPW	UNIFORMS	2,756.90
BLUE LINE EMERG LIGHTING	POLICE	EQUIPMENT REPAIR	680.00
DYNAMIC TESTING SERVICE	DPW	CDL REQUIREMENTS	160.00
MON COUNTY POLICE ACADEMY	POLICE	TRAINING/EDUCATION	275.00
ALPHA CARD SYSTEMS	A&E	PERSONNEL EXP	114.23
ORIENTAL TRADING COMPANY	RECREATION	EASTER EGG HUNT	1,274.00
DRAEGER SAFETY DIAGNOSTICS	POLICE	TRAFFIC SAFETY	405.00
IAAI	FIRE PREV	MEMBERSHIP	100.00
S.O.M.E. ARCHITECTS		95 POPLAR AVE	1,900.00
IACP CONFERENCE REGISTRATION	POLICE	MEMBERSHIP	190.00

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ARTIE'S CUSTOM STYLING		TOWING/STORAGE FEES	575.00
MAZZA RECYCLING SERVICES	DPW	RECYCLING	20.00
JOHN GUIRE COMPANY	DPW	EQUIP REPAIRS/MAINT	894.23
GLENCO SUPPLY INC	DPW	SIGNS	2,269.00
SEABOARD WELDING	DPW	OXY - EXT - ACETYLENE	14.50
EDWARDS TIRE CO. INC.	DPW	TIRES	47.90
MONMOUTH WIRE & COMPUTER	DPW	RECYCLING	300.00
NEW JERSEY GRAVEL & SAND		PARK MAINTENANCE	377.20
SEABOARD WELDING	FIRST AID	OXYGEN/EXTING	260.00
MR. JOHN, INC.	PUB BLDGS	PARK MAINTENANCE	155.48
STAPLES ADVANTAGE	PUB BLDGS	BATHROOM SUPPLIES	59.72
KELLY WINTHROP LLC		DEER CARCASS REMOVAL	33.50
SEA COAST CHEVROLET	CODE ENF	VEHICLE REPAIR	543.87
CLEAR LAKES INC		PARK MAINTENANCE	690.00
DYNAMIC TESTING SERVICE	DPW	CDL REQUIREMENTS	160.00
GRAINGER			69.36
T&M ASSOCIATES		PROF ENG SERVICES	4,184.65
T&M ASSOCIATES		DEV ESC 956 ENG FEES	3,754.75
AVS TECHNOLOGY	POLICE	EQUIPMENT & REPAIRS	125.00
VERIZON	LIBRARY	TELEPHONE	354.53
SHORE BUSINESS SOLUTIONS	POLICE	EQUIP/MAINT	370.40
STAPLES ADVANTAGE		SANITATION SUPP LIB	120.82
LANGUAGE LINE SERVICES	COURT	TRANSLATOR MARCH '19	28.90
STAPLES ADVANTAGE		OFC SUPP VARIOUS	143.43
STAPLES ADVANTAGE		OFC SUPP VARIOUS	73.57
MGL PRINTING SOLUTIONS		3 PART P.O.'S	808.00
TREASURER, CTY OF MONMOUTH		'19 ASSESSMENT	1,000.00
MR. JOHN, INC.	PUB BLDGS	PARK MAINTENANCE	270.88
STAPLES ADVANTAGE	POLICE	VARIOUS OFC SUPP	223.28
STAPLES ADVANTAGE		OFC SUPP VARIOUS	116.83
BUTLER BALANCING CO., INC		AIR BALANCING SURVEY	2,850.00
STAPLES ADVANTAGE		BINDER/ENVELOPES	256.58
STAPLES ADVANTAGE	A&E	OFFICE SUPPLIES	73.85
WLB LEISURE CLUB		LEISURE CLUB	1,000.00
CARUSO & BAXTER		PROF ATTORNEY SVCS	805.00
TREAS. CTY OF MON/DUMPING	LANDFILL	APRIL 2019	21,696.86
AVAYA, INC	LIBRARY	TELEPHONE	35.32
JUNGLE LASERS, LLC	CONST CODE	NAT'L GEO	6,400.00
DELTA DENTAL PLAN OF NJ	DENTAL	PREMIUM - 06/2019	1,794.14
EDWARDS TIRE CO. INC.	FIRST AID	VEHICLE REPAIR/TIRES	129.64
MICKEY BENOIT, INC.	RECYCLING	JANUARY 2019	145.00
MICKEY BENOIT, INC.	RECYCLING	FEBRUARY 2019	435.00
MICKEY BENOIT, INC.	RECYCLING	MARCH 2019	1,305.00
MICKEY BENOIT, INC.	RECYCLING	APRIL 2019	2,175.00
RELIABLE CLEANERS	POLICE	APRIL '19 DRY CLEANING	374.25
COMCAST		15 OCEANPORT	96.90
VERIZON	TELEPHONE	SHARED SERV 5/2019	392.20
BCM ONE	TELEPHONE	MAY 2019	1,844.57
PICASSO BUSINESS SOLUTIONS	A&E	COPIER	87.96
COMCAST	FIRST AID		204.63
T&M ASSOCIATES		DEV ESC 856 ENG FEES	900.00
T&M ASSOCIATES		DPW SITE REM INV	5,521.99
T&M ASSOCIATES		GEN PROF ENG FEES	7,084.71
TREASURER, STATE OF NJ	BORO CLERK	MICROFILM & MAPS	25.00
MICHAEL IRENE, JR.	PLANNING BD	ATTORNEY RETAINER	2,571.00
MICHAEL IRENE, JR.	PLANNING BD	ATTORNEY FEES	345.00
JERSEY CENTRAL POWER & LIGHT	ST LIGHTS	930,989,037	5,581.26
JERSEY CENTRAL POWER & LIGHT	TRAFF LIGHTS	ELECTRICITY	5,346.05
OLIWA & COMPANY		AUDIT FEES	1,200.00
COMCAST		8499 05 216 0050458	49.01
NEW JERSEY AMERICAN WATER	HYDRANTS	1018-210026568664	7,084.00

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COMCAST		965 BROADWAY	111.85
COMCAST		379 MONMOUTH ROAD	201.29
VERIZON WIRELESS		CELL PHONES APRIL 2019	1,350.35
SHORE BUSINESS SOLUTIONS	POLICE	EQUIP/MAINT	7.37
JERSEY ELEVATOR		ELEV MAINT - MAY 2019	123.05
EDMUNDS & ASSOCIATES	TAX/REG	MAINTENANCE	8,183.00
2018			7560.08
2019 CURRENT FUND			101,611.97
CAPITAL			18,043.75
TRUST			4,999.75
TOTAL			132,215.55

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

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

PUBLIC HEARING:


Jack Kearns, Word on the Shore, thanked Councilman Cioffi for his instructions to the public regarding reporting code violations.

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

- He confirmed that Councilman Bray provided him with a written response to his question from the last meeting, which he would review and send another letter if necessary.
- He asked if the Chief Financial Officer had made any progress on the user-friendly budget. Councilman Bray said he would check with the C.F.O.
- He advised that *Insider NJ* reported that Senate President Sweeney announced that adult-use marijuana legalization legislation won't be moving forward; however, the decriminalization and expungement components would. Mayor Tucci replied that she and the Council were aware of that and that it appeared this issue would be placed on the November 2020 ballot. Mr. Lepore questioned if it would be a statewide referendum.

Jack Kearns, Word on the Shore, encouraged West Long Branch to keep this matter in the forefront and urge residents to get out and vote on it. He asked Mayor Tucci if the League of Municipalities had taken a position. She responded that it was discussed, but no definitive statement was made.

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 7:27 PM.


BOROUGH CLERK