

**LOGAN TOWNSHIP
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

February 21, 2017
(minutes approved 3/7/2017)

The Regular Meeting of the Logan Township Council was called to order at 7:00pm by Mayor Frank W. Minor on the above date. The meeting was held at the Municipal Building, 125 Main Street, Bridgeport, New Jersey.

Mayor Minor led the flag salute and a moment of silence. He thanked those serving in the military for their daily sacrifice. The Mayor then read the Open Public Meetings Act.

Roll Call showed the following in attendance: Council: Bernadine Jackson, Christopher Morris, Arthur Smith and Mayor Frank W. Minor. Others in attendance were: Solicitor Ekaterine Eleftheriou, Engineer Annina Hogan, Chief Robert Leash, CMFO Robert Best, Administrator Lyman Barnes and Municipal Clerk Linda Oswald.
Councilwoman Doris Hall absent due to illness.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

February 7, 2017 Budget Meeting

Motion by Smith, second Jackson, to approve minutes from the Budget Meeting of February 7, 2017. Roll Call: Ayes: Jackson, Morris, Smith, Mayor Minor. **MOTION CARRIED.**

February 7, 2017 Work Session

Motion by Jackson, second Smith, to approve minutes from the Work Session of February 7, 2017. Roll Call: Ayes: Jackson, Morris, Smith, Mayor Minor. **MOTION CARRIED.**

ORDINANCE #1-2017: Second Reading/Public Hearing

AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LOGAN, COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AMENDING CHAPTER 152 ENTITLED "VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC" OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LOGAN
(Prohibiting parking on designated roads)

Motion by Morris, second Smith, to open to the public. Roll Call: Ayes: Jackson, Morris, Smith, Mayor Minor. **MOTION CARRIED.**

No public comment.

Motion by Jackson, second Smith, to close to the public. Roll Call: Ayes: Jackson, Morris, Smith, Mayor Minor. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Motion by Morris, second Jackson, to adopt Ordinance #1-2017 on second reading. Roll Call: Ayes: Jackson, Morris, Smith, Mayor Minor. **MOTION CARRIED.**

ORDINANCE #2-2017: Second Reading/Public Hearing

AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LOGAN, COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AMENDING CHAPTER 152 ENTITLED "VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC" OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LOGAN *(Establishing vehicle weight restrictions on designated roads)*

Motion by Jackson, second Smith, to open to the public. Roll Call: Ayes: Jackson, Morris, Smith, Mayor Minor. **MOTION CARRIED.**

No public comment.

Motion by Morris, second Smith, to close to the public. Roll Call: Ayes: Jackson, Morris, Smith, Mayor Minor. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Motion by Jackson, second Morris, to adopt Ordinance #2-2017 on second reading. Roll Call: Ayes: Jackson, Morris, Smith, Mayor Minor. **MOTION CARRIED.**

ORDINANCE #3-2017: Second Reading/Public Hearing

AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LOGAN, COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AMENDING CHAPTER 7 ENTITLED "BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE" OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LOGAN *(increase from 5 to 7 members)*

Motion by Jackson, second Smith, to open to the public. Roll Call: Ayes: Jackson, Morris, Smith, Mayor Minor. **MOTION CARRIED.**

No public comment.

Motion by Morris, second Smith, to close to the public. Roll Call: Ayes: Jackson, Morris, Smith, Mayor Minor. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Motion by Jackson, second Smith, to adopt Ordinance #3-2017 on second reading. Roll Call: Ayes: Jackson, Morris, Smith, Mayor Minor. **MOTION CARRIED.**

ORDINANCE #4-2017: First Reading/Introduction

2017 ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.14)

Motion by Morris, second Jackson, to introduce Ordinance #4-2017 on first reading and set a public hearing for March 21, 2017. Roll Call: Ayes: Jackson, Morris, Smith, Mayor Minor. **MOTION CARRIED.**

PAYMENT OF BILLS:

Motion by Jackson, second Smith, to pay all duly authorized bills. Roll Call: Ayes: Jackson, Morris, Smith, Mayor Minor. **MOTION CARRIED.**

RESOLUTION #69-2017:

RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LOGAN APPROVING PAYMENT (#2) TO LEVY CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, INC. FOR THE LOGAN TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL COMPLEX STORAGE BUILDING *(\$188,037.50)*

RESOLUTION #70-2017:

RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF LOGAN TOWNSHIP AUTHORIZING PARTIAL REFUND OF UTILITY OPENING PERMIT APPLICATION FEE TO SOUTH JERSEY GAS COMPANY BY THE TOWNSHIP OF LOGAN, COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER, STATE OF NEW JERSEY *(\$1,250.00 refund)*

RESOLUTION #71-2017:

RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF LOGAN TOWNSHIP AUTHORIZING RELEASE OF THE MAINTENANCE BOND; CASH BOND AND ESCROW FUNDS FOR BIRCH CREEK DISTRIBUTION CENTER, INC. AFFECTING THE PARCEL KNOWN AS BLOCK 2901, LOT 15 ON THE OFFICIAL TAX MAP OF LOGAN TOWNSHIP, COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER, STATE OF NEW JERSEY PLANNING BOARD APPLICATION NO. 100-14

Motion by Jackson, second Morris, to adopt Resolutions #69 thru #71-2017. Roll Call: Ayes: Jackson, Morris, Smith, Mayor Minor. **MOTION CARRIED.**

RESOLUTION #72-2017:

INTRODUCTION OF THE 2017 MUNICIPAL BUDGET FOR LOGAN TOWNSHIP

Motion by Morris, second Jackson, to introduce the 2017 Municipal Budget for Logan Township on first reading and set a public hearing for March 21, 2017 beginning 7:00pm at the Municipal Building. Roll Call: Ayes: Jackson, Morris, Smith, Mayor Minor. **MOTION CARRIED.**

The Mayor thanked all those involved in the budget preparation; Rob Best, Meg Smith, Lyman Barnes, all Department Heads and fellow members of Council. He commented that all budgets are challenging, but this budget was more challenging than it has been over the last couple of years.

COUNCIL UPDATES:

Hall – *absent*

Jackson – no update

Morris – thanked Councilman Smith, Engineer Hogan, PW Mike Riley and the Sports Committee Members for meeting at the Township Line Park, including the sports facilities, on a Friday evening to make an assessment of needs.

Smith – no update

Mayor Minor – no update

REPORTS/CORRESPONDENCE:

Public Works – continue to fill pot holes as needed throughout the township. Repaired street signs from wind storm. Started Spring clean-up throughout the township. Painting door frames inside the Municipal Building.

Mayor Minor thanked Chief and Mrs. Leash for attending the Unity in Community Celebration that was held at the Holiday Inn last Thursday. The celebration was hugely successful with approximately 150 in attendance. 2 local churches participated; Rock Life and First Baptist Church of Swedesboro. Officers Mangiaracina, Haas and Keleshian stopped by.

Engineer – see attached report. Brief discussion on the Municipal Aid Grant submission.

Solicitor – no report

Police – January 19th Patrol Officers were involved in a brief motor vehicle pursuit of a stolen car out of West Deptford Township. The driver, an 18 year old Logan man, abandoned the car in the Quail Ridge development and fled on foot. He was located a short time later and charged accordingly. January 29th Patrol Officers arrested a Wilmington, De. Man following a high speed pursuit on Route 130. The man entered onto the DREAM Park property where he, and his juvenile passenger, attempted to conceal the vehicle. They were subsequently located and charged.

Municipal Fire Chief – no report

JIF Safety Coordinator – nothing to report

Zoning Officer – no report

No Old Business.

No New Business.

Motion by Morris, second Jackson, to open to the public. All were in favor.

Meeting opened to the public 7:18pm.

No public comment.

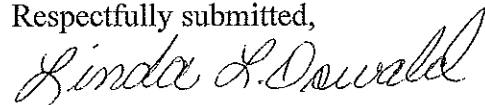
Motion by Jackson, second Morris, to close to the public. All were in favor.

Meeting closed to the public 7:18pm.

Motion by Morris, second Jackson, to adjourn meeting. All were in favor.

Meeting adjourned 7:19pm.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Linda L. Oswald".

Linda L. Oswald, RMC, CMR
Municipal Clerk