

I. Monday, May 7, 2018 Work Meeting of the Governing Body of the Borough of Lincoln Park, Courtney Fitzpatrick, Deputy Municipal Clerk called the Work Meeting to order and announced the meeting was duly advertised in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act. The Deputy Clerk also advised those present where the exits to the room were and to turn off all Cell Phones. All stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

II. ROLL CALL

On the Roll Call, Council Members present were: Gemian, Kerwin, Moeller, Ross, Wild and Pepe

ABSENT: Thompson

Present from Administration: Mayor Runfeldt, Borough Administrator Perry Mayers, Fabiana Monteiro-Mello CFO, and Chris DiLorenzo Borough Attorney.

III. COUNCIL AGENDA

1. **Stormwater Management Training for Council Members, Planning Board and Zoning Board**

Council was advised that the filing date is due by July 1, 2018.

IV. MISCELLANEOUS/COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Gemian: Received a phone call from a resident on Park Ave complaining about the condition of the roadway. Is there plans in the near future for the repaving of Park Ave?

Mayor Runfeldt said that a Grant was passed and Park Ave is on the list.

Kerwin: No Report

Moeller: DPW has done an excellent job picking up brush. Street sweepers have been being tested out. There is a house on Zelif that is abandoned and there is a problem with animals and the maintenance of the exterior.

Perry Mayers, Borough Administrator said that they are aware of the issues. There has been many notices issued as well as fines. There is another property at 2 Garden Court with similar issues. It is coming to the matter of the Borough having to making the properties presentable and safe. The Borough will have to place liens on these homes to cover the costs of maintaining them.

Ross: No Report

Thompson: Absent

Wild: No Report

Pepe: Spoke about the April 17, 2018 Regular Council Meeting that was held in conjunction with the Lincoln Park Middle School. It was very well attended. It gave us an opportunity to help us with the civic lessons with the students. It gave the students the ability to come up and ask questions. It was nice to see various Departments heads present as well as Administration and Council. Superintendent Grube expressed interest with continuing this on a yearly basis.

V. MAYOR'S AGENDA:

I. Escrow Releases

- A. Release of Escrow #2085, 4 Lynn Court, Block 5.5/Lot 17, to Marietta Seranio Sibi, has been approved by the Borough Engineer.
- B. Release of Escrow #2388, 6 Crefeld Court, Block 4/Lot 10.17, to Petru Miksa has been approved by the Borough Engineer.

Council concurred and a Resolution will be on the May 21st Agenda.

II. Tax Lien Redemption

- A. Block 144/Lot 15, aka 17 Stephen Ave., Certificate #15-00044
 - i. 2014 Tax, Water & Sewer
 - ii. \$40,000.00 Payable to MTAG As Cust for Alterna Funding II, LLC for Premium
 - iii. \$53,859.01 Payable to MTAG As Cust for Alterna Funding II, LLC for Certificate Redemption

Council concurred and a Resolution will be on the May 21st Agenda.

III. Request Resolution Authorizing Tax Collector to Refund Overpayment

- A. Block 32 / Lot 22.1
 - i. Martin & Antoinettea Vanwyck
 - ii. Amount - \$404.46
 - iii. Reason – Homeowner overpaid 2nd quarter
- B. Block 3.1 / Lot 5
 - i. Nicholas & Beverly Houmis
 - ii. Amount - \$927.10
 - iii. Reason – Homeowner over paid

Council concurred and a Resolution will be on the May 21st Agenda.

IV. Request Resolution Authorizing Refund of Property Taxes / Disabled Veteran

- A. N.J.S.A 54:4-3.30 – Total Exemption for 100% Disabled Veterans
- B. Block 46.8/Lot 56
- C. Refund to – Wells Fargo Real Estate
- D. Amount - \$1,799.38

Council concurred and a Resolution will be on the May 21st Agenda.

Request for Resolution Authorizing Renewal of Contract with The Land Conservancy

Open Space Services
Sustainable Jersey Assistance
\$9,000 Annual Fee (\$3,000 reduction)
Funded through Open Space Trust Fund

Council concurred and a Resolution will be on the May 21st Agenda.

V. Request Resolution Authorizing to Cancel and Transfer Balance of Bond Ordinance

- A. Ordinance # 1562 (2016)
 - i. Improvement to Water System (Main Street, Phase 1)

- ii. Ordinance Amount - \$30,000
- iii. Balance to Cancel - \$1,165.00
- B. Transfer to – Water Utility Capital Improvement Fund

Council concurred and a Resolution will be on the April 17th Agenda.

VI. Request Resolution Authorizing to Cancel and Transfer Balance of Bond Ordinances

- A. Ordinance # 1341 (2005)
 - i. Montville Water Tie-in
 - ii. Ordinance Amount - \$155,000
 - iii. Balance to Cancel - \$18,790.35
- B. Ordinance # 1285 (2002)
 - i. Water Main Replacement
 - ii. Ordinance Amount - \$110,000
 - iii. Balance to Cancel - \$20,490.92
- C. Transfer to – Capital Surplus

Council concurred and a Resolution will be on the May 21st Agenda.

VII. Request Resolution Authorizing the Amendment of the 2018 Capital Budget

- A. Water Capital Budget
- B. Estimated Cost remains unchanged
- C. Authorized Debt is reduced

Council concurred and a Resolution will be on the May 21st Agenda.

VIII. Request Resolution Authorizing Renewal of Memorandum of Understanding

- A. City of Paterson Health Department
- B. Childhood Lead Poisoning Case Management Services
- C. No cost to Borough
- D. Funded through Child and Adolescent Grant

Council concurred and a Resolution will be on the May 21st Agenda.

IX. Request Resolution Authorizing Purchase of 2018 Horton-Ford Type 1 Ambulance

- A. Purchase to be made through Houston-Galveston Area Council Cooperative Purchasing System
- B. Vendor – VCI Emergency Vehicle Specialists, Inc., Berlin, NJ
- C. Amount - \$\$235,660.00 (includes \$15,000 credit from trade-in of ambulance being retired)

Council concurred and a Resolution will be on the May 21st Agenda.

X. Request Resolution Authorizing Cranford Police Co-Operative Pricing System

- A. Lead Agency – Township of Cranford
- B. Goods and Services – Police/Admin Vehicles and related items
- C. No cost to Borough

Council concurred and a Resolution will be on the May 21st Agenda.

XI. Request Resolution Authorizing the Sale of Surplus Property No Longer Needed for Public Use on Gov Deals

- A. 2004 Chevrolet Impala – V.I.N. 2G1WF52K349432204
- B. 2006 Dodge Durango – V.I.N. 1D4HB38P76F186029
- C. 2001 Ford F-350 Dump/Utility – V.I.N. 1FDWF37L91EB99852
- D. 2006 HP Laserjet 1022 Printer – Serial # VHB3N05694
- E. 2000 HP Laserjet 2100 Printer – Serial # USGZ258229

- F. HP Net Server LC2000r– Serial # US10724809
- G. Planer 20" Computer Monitor – Serial # PC927CJA05989

Council concurred and a Resolution will be on the May 21st Agenda.

XII. Discussion- Recycling Policy

- A. Current state of recycling market
- B. Amend to every other week pick-up
- C. Reallocate man-hours to other tasks
- D. Cost savings

Mayor Runfeldt and Perry Mayers spoke about other options on how the Borough can recycle. The County was looked into picking up the recycling but as we looked further into this it became more expensive. The idea of picking up recycling every other week became interesting. This would allow us to free up employees that are on the truck three (3) days a week to three (3) days every other week. This would allow the employees to do other projects that need to be done around town. We are looking into guidance from the Council whether or not this would be a policy that would work. This would not be a loss of the service but a change in the service that we provide. Before we got too involved with finding a way to make this work or not we wanted to get some guidance.

Council asked how the employees would be able to handle double the amount.

Mayor Runfeldt said that it would involve a little more running around emptying the truck. They already pass through each residence eight (8) times a month. That would be reduced to four (4) times a month.

Rick Beyer and Ron Caponigro from the DPW said that usually when there is a snow day or holiday they pushed the pickup to the next week which means that they were picking up every other week.

Council President Pepe asked that before we change the policy we should look into piloting this and seeing how it goes.

Councilman Gemian asked about the costs and what the town would be saving compared to now.

Perry Mayers, Borough Administrator, said that the recycling business has done a complete 180. There was a time when we made a profit for the tax payers. Now it is costing us money. It is an expensive service and we are trying to mitigate those expenses. The profit in selling the recyclables in 2011 went for a \$48.00 a ton profit to a \$49.00 a ton to this date to get rid of it.

XIII. Ordinance 5-18

Ordinance 5-18, An Ordinance of the Borough of Lincoln Park, in the County of Morris, New Jersey, providing for Various Water System Improvements and other related expenses in and for the Borough of Lincoln Park and appropriating \$205,500 therefore, and providing for the issuance of \$140,250 in Bonds or Notes of the Borough of Lincoln Park to finance the same

Fabiana Mello, CFO, spoke about this Ordinance

Council concurred and an Ordinance will be Introduced on the May 21st Agenda.

XIV. Ordinance 6-18

Ordinance 6-18, Bond Ordinance authorizing various Capital Improvements and Acquisitions in and for the Borough of Lincoln Park, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, appropriating \$998,838.50 therefore, and authorizing the issuance of \$849,012.72 in Bonds or Notes to finance part of the cost thereof

Fabiana Mello, CFO, spoke about this Ordinance

Council concurred and an Ordinance will be Introduced on the May 21st Agenda.

XV. Salt Charitable Contribution Law Notice

Fabiana Mello spoke about the Notice of the SALT Charitable Contribution Law that Governor Murphy signed several days ago which would allow Municipalities to establish charitable trusts to help reduce the tax burden on the residents. There is still a lot of questions on how this is going to be handled by the Municipality and the tax payers on how they are going to be able to deduct their taxes. Right now they can donate up to 90%. This is optional. We do not have to do this. A lot of Municipalities are still waiting to see what is going to happen. There are questions on how they are going to budget as far as the tax collection portion. This is something that we will have to watch. Most people will not benefit from this. Mostly high cost real estate properties would benefit from this.

IX. PUBLIC HEARING:

Gemian: Motion to go to Public

Kerwin: Second

Council President Pepe asked for a Voice Vote. Public Hearing was Opened.

Kerwin: Seeing no one wishing to speak I Move we Close the Public Hearing.

Moeller: Second

Council President Pepe asked for a Voice Vote. Public Hearing was Closed.

X. ADJOURNMENT:

Moeller: So Moved

Ross: Second

There being no further business to come before the Council the Work Meeting of May 7, 2018 was adjourned at 8:08 PM.

Council President Louis Pepe

Deputy Municipal Clerk, Courtney Fitzpatrick, RMC, CMR