

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES – December 4, 2023

The meeting of the Township Council of the Township of Lower, County of Cape May, State of New Jersey was held on December 4, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. in the meeting room of the Township Hall, 2600 Bayshore Road, Villas, New Jersey.

The Clerk announced that the meeting was being held in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act and that adequate notice of the meeting had been provided according to law.

Boy Scout Troop 87 led the pledge of allegiance.

The following members of Council were present for roll call taken by the Clerk:

Councilmember Thomas Conrad
Councilmember Kevin Coombs
Councilmember Roland Roy, Jr.
Deputy Mayor David Perry
Mayor Frank Sippel via phone

Also present, David Stefankiewicz, Township Solicitor and Karen Fournier, Deputy Township Clerk

Work Session

Deputy Mayor Perry read a Proclamation Supporting the Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over 2023 Statewide Holiday Crackdown Campaign from December 1, 2023 – January 1, 2024.

Deputy Mayor Perry informed that the presentation to Detective Kevin O'Brien – 2022 MADD Award has been postponed to December 18, 2023 at 5:00 p.m.

Consent Agenda

Approval of Minutes – November 20, 2023

- Res. #2023-390 Authorization for the payment of vouchers \$770,425.57
- Res. #2023-391 Insertion of Special Item of Revenue Pursuant to NJSA 40A:4-87, Chapter 159
- Res. #2023-392 Authorization to Cancel Uncashed Checks
- Res. #2023-393 Resolution Supporting the Annual (2023) Greater Cape May Elk's/Tom Beheler Youth Basketball Tournament
- Res. #2023-394 Authorization for the Waiver of Fees for Lt. Charles Lewis Post #5354, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Associated with the Minor Site Plan and Construction Permit Fees
- Res. #2023-395 Authorization for the Payout of Accumulated Compensatory Time (A.Marroquin \$3,913.63)
- Res. #2023-396 Authorization for Refund of Taxes
- Res. #2023-397 Authorization for the Payout of Accumulated Compensatory Time (M Szemcsak \$4,079.74)
- Res. #2023-398 Transfer of 2023 Appropriations
- Res. #2023-399 A Resolution to Cancel Current Appropriation Balances (NJSA 40A:4-60)
- Res. #2023-400 Junk Yard License for Cape May Associates, LLC for the year 2024
- Res #2023-401 Issuance of 2024 Taxi, Limousine and Operator Licenses
- Res. #2023-402 Resolution to Award Seventeen (17) Patrol Vehicle Mobile Radios APX1500 Enhanced 7/800 MHZ to State Contract Vendor Motorola C/O Wireless Communications and Electronics
- Res. #2023-403 Approval for Parish of St John Neumann Procession
- Res. #2023-404 A Resolution Authorizing and Approving a Shared Service Agreement between the Township of Lower and the Borough of Wildwood Crest to Establish a Shared Municipal Court
- Res. #2023-405 A Resolution Authorizing the Execution of Addendum to the Public Safety Building Lease Agreement with the County of Cape May to Clarify the Parties' Responsibility to Contribute Toward Utility Expenses
- Res. #2023-406 Revise Resolution to add Code 3 and Vineland Auto Electric to the Annual New Jersey State Contract Vendor Listing pursuant to NJSA 40A:11-12a
- Res #2023-407 A Resolution Rescinding Resolution #2023-373 To Purchase Two (2) Police Chevrolet PPV Tahoe(s)

	MOTION	SECOND	AYE	NAY	RECUSE	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
CONRAD	X		X				
COOMBS		X	X				
ROY			X				
PERRY			X				
SIPPEL			X				

Call to the Public

No comments

Council Comments

Councilmember Conrad commented on Boy Scout Troop #87 learning about citizenship and communications. He also thanked the Rotary Club for hosting the Tree Lighting Ceremony and wished everyone a safe holiday season.


Councilmember Coombs – no comments

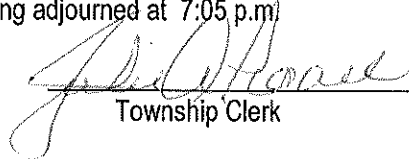
Councilmember Roy commented in favor of Boy Scout Troop #87 for their participation.

Deputy Mayor Perry announced the Rotary Christmas Parade and noted the Dec 18th Council meeting time change to 5:00 p.m.

Adjournment

There being no further business to address, motion to adjourn moved by Councilmember Coombs, seconded by Councilmember Conrad. Motion to adjourn was unanimous. Meeting adjourned at 7:05 p.m.


 Frank Sippel, Mayor


 Township Clerk

Approved: Dec 18, 2023