

Minutes - Livingston Township Council Conference Meeting #3—February 11, 2019

Present: Mayor Anthony; Councilmembers Fernandez, Klein, Meinhardt; Township Manager Lewis; Deputy Township Manager Jones; Township Attorney Weiner; Township Clerk Turtletaub, Deputy Township Clerk Mazzucco

The Conference meeting commenced at 7:05 p.m. The Mayor stated that all the requirements of the “Open Public Meetings Law” had been met. “Annual Notice” was faxed to the *West Essex Tribune and the Star Ledger* on January 2, 2019.

The Council approved the **Minutes** of January 28, 2019 (Conference and Closed).

Ms.Lippman and Mr. Schofel of the Business Improvement District (BID) outlined the **2019 Bid Budget** and noted that the assessment rate had not changed from 2018. Councilmember Fernandez mentioned that assessment rates are not set by the Council. Mr. Schofel explained that a presentation on shared business parking lots will be given to the Planning Board on February 19th. Councilmembers agreed to send Ms. Lippman emails of improper banner /signage which had seemingly increased recently; they also thanked the BID committee and volunteers of the Township.

Township Manager Lewis recommended the change order and final payment for a net decrease of \$41,751.27 for the milling and paving of **Ross Road Project**. The Council agreed to the recommendation and the matter will be listed on the February 11, 2019 Regular Agenda for a vote.

Township Manager Lewis discussed the contract bid award to **Furnish, Deliver & Install trees** in the Township. The Council agreed to the recommendation and the matter will be listed on the February 11, 2019 Regular Agenda for a vote.

Township Manager Lewis explained the updated **SYLS Program Fees** and noted that the men and women softball league prices were lowered due to players paying umpires directly. The Council agreed to the recommendation and the matter will be listed on the February 25, 2019 Regular Agenda for a vote.

Township Manager Lewis recommended the award of contract to CFM Construction, Inc. for **East Orange Interconnection** SCADA upgrades for the Water Department. The Council agreed to the recommendation and the matter will be listed on the February 11, 2019 Regular Agenda for a vote.

Township Manager Lewis recommended a change order for a net decrease of \$74,541.66 for the **Passaic Avenue SPS Force Main and Downstream Gravity Sewer Upgrades**. The Council agreed to the recommendation and the matter will be listed on the February 11, 2019 Regular Agenda for a vote.

Township Manager Lewis recommended the change order and final payment for a net decrease of \$18,007.75 for the **Water Main Improvements on Surrey Lane**. The Council agreed to the recommendation and the matter will be listed on the February 11, 2019 Regular Agenda for a vote.

Township Manager Lewis recommended a change order for a net increase of \$11,617.50 for the **Well Facility and Interconnection SDAD Upgrades**. The Council agreed to the recommendation and the matter will be listed on the February 11, 2019 Regular Agenda for a vote.

Township Attorney Weiner mentioned that Agenda items **D10 and D11** should be moved to Closed Session. She also mentioned that she spoke with Mr. Cornell regarding the proposed **Trails & Greenways** ordinance and reminded everyone that the March 11th meeting had been moved to Wednesday, March 13th, to accommodate the **Energy Aggregation** proposal.

At 7:35pm the Conference meeting adjourned so the Council could attend the Regular meeting.

At 8:45pm, the Conference meeting resumed with everyone previously in attendance present.

The Council shared dates of importance and upcoming events; Township Manager Lewis shared that he is working on dates for Appraisal Systems Inc. (ASI) to hold an open forum with the community.

Township Deputy Manager Jones added that the electric stations are up and running and that he will make a meeting schedule for the Green Committee.

RESOLUTION—Authorizing Closed Session-Collection Action (Paving of Morton Road); Property Acquisition (Contract Negotiations and Attorney Client Privilege); Tax Exemption Appeal (Contract Negotiations and Attorney Client Privilege); Zoning Ordinance (Assisted Living; Zoning Ordinance (Restaurants)

At 9:20 p.m., the following Resolution was considered:

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 allows for a Public Body to go into closed session during a Public Meeting; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the Township of Livingston has deemed it necessary to go into closed session to discuss certain matters which are exempted from the Public; and

WHEREAS, the Conference meeting of the Governing Body will reconvene; and

BE IT RESOLVED that this 11th day of February, 2019, that the Township Council of the Township of Livingston will go into Closed Session for the purpose of discussing Collection Action (Paving of Morton Road); Property Acquisition (Contract Negotiations and Attorney Client Privilege); Tax Exemption Appeal (Contract Negotiations and Attorney Client Privilege); Zoning Ordinance (Assisted Living; Zoning Ordinance (Restaurants)_and such matters as may come before the Council and that are exempted from the public as outlined in N.J.S.A. 10:4-12.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the matters discussed in closed session will be made public upon disposition.

On motion duly made and seconded, and by voice vote, all members present voted YES.

At 9:40 p.m., the Closed Session ended, and the Conference meeting concluded.

Respectfully submitted,

CAROLYN MAZZUCCO, Deputy Township Clerk