

Minutes - Livingston Township Council Conference Meeting #4—February 6, 2017

Present: Mayor Klein; Councilmembers Anthony, Fernandez, Meinhardt, Silverman (via Speakerphone); Acting Township Manager Jones, Township Attorney Weiner; Township Clerk Turtleaub

The Conference meeting commenced at 7:35 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 3, 2017.

The Council approved the **Minutes** of January 23, 2017 (Conference and Closed) and January 30, 2017 (conference and Closed).

The Council approved the January 2017 **Legal Fees** of Murphy McKeon.

The Mayor will respond affirmatively in writing to a resident’s request that **Congressman Rodney Frelinghuysen** be asked to conduct a Town Hall meeting in Livingston Town Hall.

Township Attorney Weiner reported on the recent **Habitat for Humanity** meeting with area residents.

Councilmember Meinhardt advised of the upcoming meeting with **Bennington residents** regarding Madonna Field.

Councilmember Fernandez discussed installation of a **Generator** at Cedar Street Commons.

Mayor Klein discussed his attendance at recent events including **Cycle for Survival, Chinese Culture Day, and the Four Chaplains Service.**

Mayor Klein advised of the an upcoming Conference Call regarding the **Pilgrim Pipeline** opposition, and that a sample Resolution was being distributed, which may differ from the Resolution of Support previously passed by the Council.

The Council discussed proposed **2017 Business Improvement District (BID) Budget** with BID Executor Director Beth Lippman and the BID accountant Lori Kaufman.

RESOLUTION—Authorizing Closed Session—Contract Negotiations (BID)

At 8:03 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 6th day of February, 2017, that the Township Council of the Township of Livingston will go into Closed Session for the purpose of discussing Contract Negotiations and such other 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 8:10 p.m., the Closed Session concluded.

At 8:10 p.m., the Conference meeting adjourned so the Council could attend the Regular meeting.

At 9:45 p.m., the Conference meeting resumed with everyone previously in attendance present.

The Council discussed scheduling of **2017 Municipal Budget Meetings** and the type of information to be provided. A Budget Meeting with Department Heads was scheduled for March 2. It was stressed that “Budgeted” and “Actual” figures for 2015 and 2016 be provided. A Power Point presentation will be made on March 20, 2017, the date of the Budget Introduction. May 1 will be the date for Budget hearing and adoption.

At 10:00 p.m., the Conference meeting concluded.

Respectfully submitted,

GLENN R. TURTLETAUB
Township Clerk