

**Minutes - Livingston Township Council Conference Meeting #32- November 20, 2017**

**Present:** Mayor Klein; Councilmembers Anthony, Fernandez, Meinhardt, Silverman; Acting Township Manager Jones, James Bryce, Esq., for Township Attorney Weiner; Township Clerk Turtletaub

The Conference meeting commenced at 7:30 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 met with Senior Youth and Leisure Services Director Jen Walker who discussed her proposed **Updated Program Fees**, explaining the at the \$50 increase in camp fees was attributed to an increase in sessions from six to seven days per week. The Council agreed to the request, and the matter will be considered on this evening's Regular Agenda.

Mayor Klein asked whether the **Valve Maintenance Trailer** recommended by Junior Utility Engineer Nathan Kiracofe was included in the Township Budget. Acting Township Manager Jones stated that the Trailer had been provided for in either the Regular or Capital Budgets. The Resolution will be considered on the evening's Regular Agenda.

Mayor Klein discussed the written request from Walter LeVine regarding composition of the **Trails and Greenways and Open Space Committees**. Councilmember Anthony and Mayor Klein urged reaching out to the membership of those or any affected Committees prior to taking any action to merge or eliminate any Committee.

Township Clerk Turtletaub discussed the existing membership of certain Township Committees, and introduced Pat Sebold, Chair of the **Bipartisan Committee on Appointments**, who addressed the Council, questioning the continued need for that Committee since "everybody gets on a Committee if requested regardless of party." She explained how historically that had not been so, and that the Bipartisan Committee had been needed to ensure Township Committees were open to members of both political parties.

Township Clerk Turtletaub identified a number of Committees which met infrequently or not at all, including the **Appearance and the Outreach Committees**. Township Attorney Weiner suggested that any changes in membership or the merger/elimination of **Committees** be effected through one Resolution.

Township Clerk Turtletaub was asked to place the issue of the **RFP for Revaluation Services** on the next Conference Only Agenda.

Acting Township Manager Jones discussed finalization of the proposed ordinance effecting **Congressional Parkway parking** changes and map.

**RESOLUTION—Authorizing Closed Session—Negotiations (Shuttle Operations): Labor Negotiations**

At 8:35 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 20th day of November, 2017, that the Township Council of the Township of Livingston will go into Closed Session for the purpose of discussing 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 9:50 p.m., the Closed Session concluded.

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Respectfully submitted,

GLENN R. TURTLETAUB  
Township Clerk