

REGULAR MEETING

CITY COUNCIL

SEPTEMBER 27, 2011

7:30 P.M.

The Regular Meeting of the Long Branch City Council was held on Tuesday, September 27, 2011 at 7:30 p.m. in the Municipal Building, (Conference Room) 344 Broadway, Long Branch, New Jersey.

Present: Michael Sirianni, Council President; Kathleen Billings, Council Vice-President; Joy Bastelli, Councilwoman; Dr. Mary Jane Celli, Councilwoman; John Pallone, Councilman

Others Present: Adam Schneider, Mayor; Howard Woolley, Business Administrator; James G. Aaron, City Attorney; Ronald Mehlhorn, Finance Director; Kathy L. Schmelz, City Clerk

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and certification was read into the record.

PRESENTATIONS:

None

READING AND APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES:

September 13, 2011 - Motion by Councilman Pallone seconded by Councilwoman Celli to approve the minutes of September 13, 2011 was carried out upon the following roll call vote: Ayes 5

CONSIDERATION OF ORDINANCES

PUBLIC HEARING AND FINAL CONSIDERATION

#30-11 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 325-3C, SCHEDULE II (325-26) OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF LONG BRANCH (STERNBERGER AVENUE) - Held over from the September 13, 2011 Council Meeting

A motion was made by Councilwoman Bastelli, seconded by Councilman Pallone to open the public hearing on this ordinance.

Daniel Mancini - 35 Sternberger Avenue

Stated that taking parking spaces away would be detrimental. Would like to sit down with the City and come up with another plan.

Florence Harray - Sternberger Avenue

Asked why the residents can't use garbage cans. They don't need a dumpster.

Louis Rebecki - Sternberger Avenue

Stated that every parking space that is lost is a nightmare.

Michelle Misery - Sternberger Avenue

The parking is bad on that street to begin with and if you take more spaces away it would be a bad situation

After ample time was given and no one else responded, a motion by Councilman Pallone to close the public hearing was seconded by Councilwoman Billings.

A motion was made by Councilman Pallone, seconded by Councilwoman Billings to **reject** this ordinance on third and final reading was carried out upon the following roll call vote: Ayes 5

ORDINANCES FOR INTRODUCTION

#34-11 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF LONG BRANCH TO LEASE SPACE FOR FIRE TRUCKS FROM PRIVATELY OWNED VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANIES IN THE CITY OF LONG BRANCH FOR 2011

A motion was made by Councilwoman Billings, seconded by Councilman Pallone to introduce on first reading, advertise and post according to law and set the public hearing for October 11, 2011 was carried out upon the following roll call vote: Ayes 5

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

A motion was made by Councilwoman Celli, seconded by Councilman Pallone to open the public portion of this meeting.

Diana Multare - 21 North Bath Avenue

Spoke regarding an old newspaper clipping about Long Branch Tomorrow and how she wanted to join but was never given a call back. Went on to speak about the Constitution and eminent domain.

Vincent Lapore - 80 North Broadway

Spoke regarding Resolution 284-11 and 277-11, solarization with the Monmouth County Improvement Authority, legal bills of Greenbaum Rowe Smith and Davis and Ansell law firm and tax appeals.

Gerry Scarano - Ocean Boulevard

Spoke regarding the paving of Ocean Boulevard, 2nd Avenue reconstruction, yard / garage sale signs, flooding and the Council receiving health benefits.

Harold Cooper - 113 South 7th Avenue

Asked if three days for the curfew is long enough. The Mayor stated that in past practice it had shown to be effective.

After ample time was given and no one else came forward, a motion was made by Councilman Pallone, seconded by Councilwoman Celli to close the public portion of this meeting.

RESOLUTIONS:

On file in the Clerks Office and posted on the City's Web Site.

APPLICATIONS:

1. APPROVAL OF CITY HONORARY AND STATE ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP FOR JOSE MADERA IN THE OCEANIC FIRE ENGINE COMPANY NO. 1

Motion by Councilwoman Bastelli, seconded by Councilman Pallone to approve the above application was carried out upon the following roll call vote: Ayes 5

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER

Councilwoman Celli - Thanked everyone for coming and happy Rosh Hashanah.

Councilman Pallone - Thanked everyone for coming and happy Rosh Hashanah and Happy Birthday to Councilwoman Bastelli on Monday.

Councilwoman Bastelli - Thanked everyone for coming.

Councilwoman Billings - Thanked everyone for coming.

Councilman Sirianni - Thanked everyone for coming and happy Rosh Hashanah to everyone.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Councilwoman Celli, seconded by Councilman Pallone to adjourn this meeting at 8:05 p.m.