Mayor Roach called the meeting to order.

#### Executive Session 2017:84

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Lindenwold that the Mayor and Council are now going into closed session to discuss legal matters, Police and Finance Personnel, Financial Grants, budget and animal control services

Motion was made by President Randolph-Sharpe, second by Councilman Burrows that Resolution #2017:84 be adopted as read. Voice vote was unanimous in the affirmative. Motion carried.

Motion was made by President Randolph-Sharpe, second by Councilman Jackson to go out of executive session. Voice vote was unanimous in the affirmative. Motion carried.

Sunshine Law - Notice of this meeting has been duly advertised in compliance with the provisions of the open public meetings law. Please be advised that this meeting will be audio recorded for possible later playback.

#### Flag Salute

Roll Call of Council Members Present: Burrows, DiDomenico, Hess, Jackson, Strippoli, President Randolph-Sharpe, and Mayor Roach

Motion was made by President Randolph-Sharpe, second by Councilman Burrows that the Council Minutes and Executive Session of December 28, 2016. Roll Call vote was in the affirmative with Councilman Strippoli abstaining. Motion carried.

#### First Reading Ordinance 2017-3

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 238 ARTICLE III VACANT PROPERTY AND ARTICLE IV FORECLOSED PROPERTY OF THE EXISTING CODE OF THE BOROUGH LINDENWOLD

WHEREAS, the municipal governing body of the Borough of Lindenwold wishes to ensure consistency in its provisions, and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Lindenwold has reviewed Chapter 238, Article III for Vacant Properties and Article IV for Foreclosed Properties for the Borough of Lindenwold, and

WHEREAS, a clarification is required regarding the assessment of a municipal lien for vacant properties to be added to Section 238-13 Violations and penalties as follows:

C. If the municipality expends public funds in order to abate a nuisance or correct a violation of the Property Maintenance Code on a residential property in situations in which the creditor was given notice pursuant to this article, but failed to abate the nuisance or correct the violations as directed, the municipality shall have the same recourse against the creditor as it would have against the title owner of the property. Additionally, the municipality may assess a lien against a property subject to this Chapter, for any failure to comply with this Chapter, to include imposition of a lien for any unpaid fees or late charges assessed pursuant to this Chapter. The municipality may also assess a lien against the subject property for the moneys expended by the municipality. The lien may be enforced and collected in the same manner as real estate taxes are enforced and collected, with interest to accrue at the same rate on all such liens as real estate taxes., and

Whereas, a clarification is required regarding the assessment of a municipal lien for foreclosed properties under Section 238-24 Assessment of lien as follows:

If the municipality expends public funds in order to abate a nuisance or correct a violation of the Property Maintenance Code on a residential property in situations in which the creditor was given notice pursuant to this article, but failed to abate the nuisance or correct the violations as directed, the municipality shall have the same recourse against the creditor as it would have against the title owner of the property. Additionally, the municipality may assess a lien against a property subject to this Chapter, for any failure to comply with this Chapter, to include imposition of a lien for any unpaid fees or late charges assessed pursuant to this Chapter. The municipality may also assess a lien against the subject property for the moneys expended by the municipality. The lien may be enforced and collected in the same manner as real estate taxes are enforced and collected, with interest to accrue at the same rate on all such liens as real estate taxes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED by the municipal governing body of the Borough of Lindenwold that the above addition/amendment to Chapter 238 Property Maintenance, Article III for Vacant Properties, Section 238-13 and Article IV for Foreclosed Properties, Section 238-24 be added/amended as listed above. This ordinance shall take affect upon proper passage and publication according to law.

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Motion was made by President Randolph-Sharpe, second by Councilman DiDomenico that Ordinance #2017-03 be adopted on first reading, published according to law, with second reading being held at next regular scheduled meeting. Roll call vote was unanimous in the affirmative. Motion carried.

### First Reading ORDINANCE 2017-4

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 250, ARTICLE II RENTAL PROPERTY INSPECTION OF THE EXISTING CODE OF THE BOROUGH LINDENWOLD

WHEREAS, the municipal governing body of the Borough of Lindenwold wishes to ensure consistency in its provisions, and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Lindenwold has reviewed Chapter 250, Article II for Rental Property Inspection, and WHEREAS, a clarification is required regarding the assessment of a municipal lien for Rental Property Inspection to be added to Section 250-17 Violations and penalties as follows:

2. The municipality, in its discretion, may in addition to any other penalties set forth herein, assess a lien against the subject property for any failure to comply with this Chapter, to include imposition of a lien for any unpaid fees and late charges assessed against the owner of the subject property pursuant to this Chapter. Any lien assessed pursuant to this Chapter, may be enforced and collected in the same manner as real estate taxes are enforced and collected, with interest to accrue at the same rate as real estate taxes on all such liens.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED by the municipal governing body of the Borough of Lindenwold that the above section be added to Chapter 250 Rental Property Inspection, Article II, Section 250-17 as listed above.

This ordinance shall take effect upon proper passage and publication according to law.

Motion was made by President Randolph-Sharpe, second by Councilman Jackson that Ordinance #2017-04 be adopted on first reading, published according to law, with second reading being held at next regular scheduled meeting. Roll call vote was unanimous in the affirmative. Motion carried.

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WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11(5) authorizes contracting units to establish a Cooperative Pricing System and to enter into Cooperative Pricing Agreements for its administration, and

WHEREAS, the County of Camden hereinafter referred to as the Lead Agency originally offered voluntary participation in a Cooperative Pricing System for copy, computer paper and envelopes as awarded to the vendors, W.B. Mason and Paper Mart, for a term commencing on or about September 1, 2016 through February 28, 2017 with the option of an additional six months extension, and

WHEREAS, the County of Camden adopted the additional extension for a term commencing on March 1, 2017 through August 31, 2017 under Bid A-33 with W. B. Mason and Paper Mart, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of Lindenwold as follows: 1. This resolution shall be known and may be cited as the Cooperative Pricing Resolution of the Borough of Lindenwold.

2. Pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11(5) the Mayor is hereby authorized to enter into a Cooperative Pricing Agreement with the Lead Agency

3. The Lead Agency shall be responsible for complying with the provisions of the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq) and all other provisions of the revised statutes of the State of New Jersey.

4. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon passage.

Motion was made by President Randolph-Sharpe, second by Councilman DiDomenico that Resolution #2017:85 be adopted as read. Roll call vote was unanimous in the affirmative. Motion carried.

## **RESOLUTION 2017:86-Promote Sergeant**

WHEREAS, the Borough of Lindenwold has identified a need to fulfill the position of Sergeant in the Lindenwold Police Department, and

WHEREAS, Civil Service Certification has been requested, and

WHEREAS, it is the procedure of the Borough of Lindenwold to promote employees by resolution; and

WHEREAS, Mayor and Council has accepted the recommendation to appoint Officer Sean Williams to the position of Police Sergeant.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Lindenwold that Officer Sean Williams be promoted to the position of Police Sergeant upon certification by New Jersey Civil Service Commission. Motion was made by President Randolph-Sharpe, second by Councilman DiDomenico that Resolution #2017:86 be adopted as read. Roll call vote was unanimous in the affirmative. Motion carried.

## **RESOLUTION 2017:87-Hire Accounting Clerk**

WHEREAS the Finance Department requested a clerk from a temporary staffing agency under Resolution #2016:155 in June of 2016 due to a vacancy, and

WHEREAS, a competent replacement has been performing the duties of an Account Clerk, and

WHEREAS, the Business Administrator has recommended that Jeffrey Payano be hired full time for the position of Account Clork and

# Account Clerk, and

WHEREAS, the salary for this position of Account Clerk be established at an annual salary of \$35,000.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Borough Council to authorize the hiring of Jeffrey Payano as Account Clerk starting March 6, 2017.

Motion was made by President Randolph-Sharpe, second by Councilman Jackson that Resolution #2017:87 be adopted as read. Roll call vote was unanimous in the affirmative. Motion carried.

## Matters for Discussion

a. The Mayor received a plaque from Cub Scouts Pack 120 last Saturday at their annual Blue and Gold Banquet for their appreciation. The Police Department also received a Certificate of Appreciation.

Mayor Roach opened the meeting to the public.

Joe Amodeo, resident, questioned the removal of the 96 gallon trash containers and the placement of dumpsters. He was told by the Condo Board that it was the decision of the Lindenwold Borough. He questioned if both containers and dumpsters can be used. There is a distance to the dumpsters. The Mayor responded that a letter was received requesting the dumpsters by the Condo Board. The Public Works Supervisor stated that some units did not have a place for the containers. Two different trucks are used for the dumpsters and the containers. The Mayor asked the Supervisor to look for another location for a dumpster. Council discussed the placement of the containers within the development.

Jeff Black, resident, questioned the system of trash removal that was used back in 1974 and the layoff of employees. The Mayor responded that employees were not laid off and that it was a safety concern with employees on the back of the trucks. The Mayor continued that it was private property and the Borough responded to their request.

Carlton Brown, resident, offered to start a program for the youth of Lindenwold for tennis. The Mayor responded that the Borough does not have courts and recommended he contact the Lindenwold High School. He also advised that to start an organization in town, he must contact the Park and Recreation Committee. Councilman Jackson informed him of the next meeting.

There being no one desiring the floor, the Mayor closed the meeting to the public.

Motion was made by President Randolph-Sharpe, second by Councilman Burrows that the meeting be adjourned. Voice vote was unanimous in the affirmative. Motion carried.

DATED: April 26, 2017

Deborah C. Jackson, RMC Borough Clerk