



DATE: JULY 1, 2025 7:30 PM
REGULAR MEETING

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Mayor Higgins called the meeting to order at 7:32pm

SALUTE TO FLAG AND MOMENT OF SILENT REFLECTION

SUNSHINE LAW

Introduction as required under the Sunshine Law: Adequate notice of this meeting has been provided by the adoption of a Resolution by the Mayor and Council on the seventh day of January 2025 in which Resolution the time and place of Agenda and Regular Meetings commencing with January 7, 2025 were set forth. Notice of same was delivered to the Asbury Park Press, the Coast Star and TAPinto and a copy of the notice was posted on the borough website at www.lakecomonj.org and on the bulletin board in Borough Hall. All meetings are open to the public.

ROLL CALL

Douglas Witte	Present
Hawley Scull	Present
Christopher D'Antuono	Absent
Nicholas DeMauro	Present
Peter Ventrice	Present
Heather Albala-Doyle	Present

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilman Witte made a motion to approve the minutes from the June 17, 2025 Meeting, seconded by Councilwoman Albala-Doyle, all are in favor.

COMMUNICATIONS

None on the agenda

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

- Councilwoman Albala-Doyle reported that the first concert at the lake was a huge success. Going forward, Wednesdays on the Water will be held on the 3rd Wednesday of the month with the next one being Tommy B and the Deep Blue Sea on July 16th. All other matters are in order.
- Councilman Ventrice reported that the Butterfly Garden dedication took place on June 21st and thanks to the hard work of the DPW and the volunteers it was a great event. All other matters are in order.

- Councilman DeMauro reported that all matters are in order.
- Councilwoman Scull reported that yesterday, Adriana Trigiani, author of The View from Lake Como visited to Lake Como for a meet and greet and Q&A about her book. She spent a lot of time in Lake Como doing research for the book and she will be doing a book tour in the area in July. All other matters are in order.
- Councilman Witte reported that all matters are in order.
- Mayor Higgins reported that the Lake Como Mayor's Bash is being held on July 10th at Bar Anticipation. Tickets can be purchased at Borough Hall or through Venmo. Mayor Higgins also reported that the Margerum Avenue road project is nearing completion with paving happening this week. All other matters are in order.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

No Unfinished Business

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NEW BUSINESS

Councilwoman Albala-Doyle made a motion to open the meeting to the public, seconded by Councilwoman Scull, all are in favor.

No Public Comments

Councilman DeMauro made a motion to close the meeting to the public, seconded by Councilwoman Scull, all are in favor.

CONSENT AGENDA

All items listed under this section are considered to be routine by the Borough Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion on these items. If discussion is desired, that item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered separately.

NEW BUSINESS

Special Events Application

19th Avenue Block Party

- Joann O'Shea and Molly Pfeiffer came before the Council asking for permission to host a block party on 19th Avenue to bring back the old tradition of bringing neighbors together. They would need to borrow cones and barricades from DPW. Chief Scott has no issues with this event.

Offered by Councilman Witte, seconded by Councilwoman Scull, roll call vote as follows:

Yes: Councilmembers Witte, Scull, DeMauro, Ventrice and Albala-Doyle

No: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Councilman D'Antuono

Special Events Application

Greenwood Terrace Block Party

This application is tabled to the July 15, 2025 meeting.

Special Events Application

Lake Como Day 5k

Offered by Councilman Witte, seconded by Councilman Ventrice, roll call vote as follows:

Yes: Councilmembers Witte, Scull, DeMauro, Ventrice and Albala-Doyle

No: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Councilman D'Antuono

Ordinance 2025-12

Second Reading and Public Hearing

Installing Handicap Parking Spot

Offered by Councilman Ventrice and seconded by Councilman Witte.

No public comments on this ordinance

Roll call vote as follows:

Yes: Councilmembers Witte, Scull, DeMauro, Ventrice and Albala-Doyle

No: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Councilman D'Antuono

Resolution 2025-101

Payment of Bills

Offered by Councilwoman Scull, seconded by Councilwoman Albala-Doyle, roll call vote as follows:

Yes: Councilmembers Witte, Scull, DeMauro, Ventrice and Albala-Doyle

No: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Councilman D'Antuono

Resolution 2025-102

Payment of NJNG Bill

Offered Councilwoman Albala-Doyle, seconded by Councilwoman Scull, roll call vote as follows:

Yes: Councilmembers Witte, Scull, DeMauro, Ventrice and Albala-Doyle

No: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Councilman D'Antuono

Budget Amendment Public Hearing

No public comments

Resolution 2025-103

CY2025 Budget Adoption

Offered by Councilman Witte, seconded by Councilwoman Scull, roll call vote as follows:

Yes: Councilmembers Witte, Scull, DeMauro, Ventrice and Albala-Doyle

No: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Councilman D'Antuono

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Councilwoman Scull made a motion to open the meeting to the public, seconded by Councilwoman Albala-Doyle, all are in favor.

No public comments

Councilman DeMauro made a motion to close the meeting to the public, seconded by Councilwoman Scull, all are in favor.

NEXT MEETING

The next regular meeting of the Mayor and Council will be held on Tuesday, July 15, 2025, at 7:30 PM in the Lake Como Meeting Room. All meetings are open to the public.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Councilwoman Scull made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Councilwoman Albala-Doyle, all are in favor.

Respectfully Submitted
Amy L. Boney, RMC
Borough Clerk

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