

BOROUGH OF LAKE COMO 1740 MAIN STREET LAKE COMO, NJ 07719 (732) 681-3232 MINUTES

DATE: JULY 15, 2025 7:30 PM REGULAR MEETING

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Mayor Higgins called the meeting to order at 7:31pm

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	Absent
Christopher D'Antuono	Present
Nicholas DeMauro	Present
Peter Ventrice	Present
Heather Albala-Doyle	Present

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilman DeMauro made a motion to approve the minutes from the July 1, 2025 Meeting, seconded by Councilman Ventrice, Councilman D'Antuono abstained, all others are in favor.

COMMUNICATIONS

None on the agenda

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

- Councilwoman Scull that there have been some very productive meetings regarding Lake Como Day that is coming up on September 20th. Tomorrow is the second Wednesday on the Water with Tommy B and the Deep Blue Sea at 6:30pm as well as the first Farmer's Market from 3pm 8pm at North Blvd. and Main Street. Lastly, Councilwoman Albala-Doyle reported that the Mayor's Bash was amazing. All other matters are in order.
- Councilman Ventrice reported that all matters are in order.

- Councilman DeMauro congratulated Councilman Witte on being the Citizen of the Year and yielded the rest of his report to Chief Scott who reported that the 2nd Annual Fishing Tournament will be held on September 20th at 11:00am. All other matters are in order.
- Councilman D'Antuono reported that all matters are in order.
- Councilman Witte reported that all matters are in order.
- Mayor Higgins reported that the Mayor's Bash was a very successful event with all proceeds going back into the recreation department and Behrman Park improvements. It was great to honor Doug as the Citizen of the Year and thanked Bar A and everyone who helped with the event. Mayor Higgins reported that Coffee with the Mayor will be held on the 26th from 9:00am 10:30am at Borough Hall. Lastly, Rowdy Mermaid is teaming up with Blue Dot Communities, promoting physical, cognitive and social health for individuals with and without neuro and developmental disabilities, on July 17th from 2:00pm to 4:00pm. All other matters are in order.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

No Unfinished Business

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NEW BUSINESS

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

No Public Comments

Councilman Witte made a motion to close the meeting to the public, seconded by Councilman Ventrice, 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

Greenwood Terrace Block Party

- Amanda Hernek came before the Council asking for permission to hold a block party on Greenwood Terrace on September 13th.
- Chief Scott stated that she has no issues with the application.
- Borough Administrator Andrew Huisman is fine with the application.

Councilman Witte made a motion to approve the application, seconded by Councilman DeMauro, roll call vote as follows:

Yes: Councilmembers Witte, D'Antuono, DeMauro, Ventrice & Albala-Doyle

No: None Abstain: None

Absent: Councilwoman Scull

Special Events Application

Shillelagh 5k

Councilman Witte made a motion to approve the application, seconded by Councilman DeMauro, roll call vote as follows:

Yes: Councilmembers Witte, D'Antuono, DeMauro, Ventrice & Albala-Doyle

No: None Abstain: None

Absent: Councilwoman Scull

Ordinance 2025-13

Second Reading and Public Hearing

Amending Chapter 17 & Zoning Map

Pulled from the agenda to go back to the Planning Board for their recommendations.

Resolution 2025-104

Authorizing NJDOT Grant Application –

Euclid Avenue, Walling Avenue & Burton Place

Offered by Councilman D'Antuono, seconded by Councilwoman Albala-Doyle, roll call vote as follows:

Yes: Councilmembers Witte, D'Antuono, DeMauro, Ventrice & Albala-Doyle

No: None Abstain: None

Absent: Councilwoman Scull

Resolution 2025-105

Adoption of Stormwater Management Plan

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

Yes: Councilmembers Witte, D'Antuono, DeMauro, Ventrice & Albala-Doyle

No: None Abstain: None

Absent: Councilwoman Scull

Resolution 2025-106

Payment of Bills

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

Yes: Councilmembers Witte, D'Antuono, DeMauro, Ventrice & Albala-Doyle

No: None Abstain: None

Absent: Councilwoman Scull

Resolution 2025-107

Appointing Public Defender

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

Yes: Councilmembers Witte, D'Antuono, DeMauro, Ventrice & Albala-Doyle

No: None Abstain: None

Absent: Councilwoman Scull

Resolution 2025-108

Resolution for Unpaid Municipal Charges to Impose Municipal Lien

Offered by Councilman D'Antuono, seconded by Councilman Witte, roll call vote as

follows:

Yes: Councilmembers Witte, D'Antuono, DeMauro, Ventrice & Albala-Doyle

No: None Abstain: None

Absent: Councilwoman Scull

PUBLIC COMMENTS

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

No Public Comments

Councilman Witte made a motion to close the meeting to the public, seconded by Councilman Ventrice, all are in favor.

ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL BOARD

Social Affairs Permit Application

Lake Como Day

Councilman Witte made a motion to approve the application for the Social Affairs Permit for Lake Como Day, seconded by Councilman Ventrice, roll call vote as follows:

Yes: Councilmembers Witte, D'Antuono, DeMauro, Ventrice & Albala-Doyle

No: None Abstain: None

Absent: Councilwoman Scull

NEXT MEETING

The next regular meeting of the Mayor and Council will be held on Tuesday, August 5, 2025, at 7:30 PM in the Lake Como Meeting Room. All meetings are open to the public.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

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