



DATE: JULY 21, 2026
7:30 PM REGULAR MEETING

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Mayor Higgins called the meeting to order at 7:30pm

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 sixth day of January 2026 in which Resolution the time and place of Agenda and Regular Meetings commencing with January 6, 2026 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

Hawley Scull	Present
Christopher D'Antuono	Present
Peter Ventrice	Present
Heather Albala-Doyle	Present
Andrew Reiners	Present
Shannon McIntyre	Present

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilman Ventrice made a motion to approve the minutes from the July 7, 2026 Meeting, seconded by Councilman Reiners, all are in favor.

COMMUNICATIONS, PROCLAMATIONS & PRESENTATIONS

None on the agenda

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

- Councilwoman McIntyre asked Chief Scott if she had anything to report to which she stated that the Belmar Police have been posting the new e-bike rulers and flyers and already she has noticed less e-bikes in the area. All other matters are in order.
- Councilman Reiners reported that all matters are in order.
- Councilwoman Albala-Doyle reported that the Farmer's Market continues to be a great success with more vendors joining. The next Wednesday on the Water featuring the E Boro Bandits will be on August 12th at the gazebo. All other matters are in order.

- Councilman Ventrice reported that all matters are in order.
- Councilman D'Antuono reported that all matters are in order.
- Councilwoman Scull reported that Recreation Soccer signups for grades K-8th are taking place now through the ends of August. All other matters are in order.
- Mayor Higgins thanked everyone who worked during those last few weeks of terrible weather, especially 4th of July weekend. Mayor Higgins thanked Councilwoman Scull and Councilman D'Antuono for handling the meetings and Borough business while he was away. Mayor Higgins reported that the Mayor's Bash is this Thursday, July 23rd from 6p-10p at Bar Anticipation honoring McCann's Tavern as the Business of the Year and Johnny Kumfert as the Citizen of the Year. Lastly, Mayor Higgins reported that the next Coffee with the Mayor will be August 15th from 9a-10:30a at Borough Hall. 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 Councilman Ventrice, all are in favor.

No Public Comments

Councilwoman Scull made a motion to close the meeting to the public, seconded by Councilman Reiners, 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

Lake Como Day 5k

- Dan Napilton of the Jersey Shore Running Club was present to represent this application. Mr. Napilton stated that there was a slight change to the course to eliminate the zig zag through the streets.

Councilwoman Scull made a motion to approve this application, seconded by Councilwoman McIntyre, all are in favor.

Special Events Application

Shillelagh 5k

- Bill Ryan and Ryan McGovern from the Friendly Sons of the Shillelagh were present to represent this application stating this is the 12th year of this race. It

follows the standard 5k route out of Bar Anticipation. There are 40+ volunteers for this event and all proceeds go to the charitable causes of the FSOS. Councilwoman Albala-Doyle made a motion to approve this application, seconded by Councilwoman Scull, all are in favor.

Ordinance 2026-6

Second Reading and Public Comments

Conveying Open Space Easement to the County of Monmouth

Offered by Councilman Ventrice.

There were no public comments on this Ordinance

Seconded by Councilman Reiners. Roll call as follows:

Yes: Councilmembers Scull, D'Antuono, Ventrice, Albala-Doyle, Reiners and McIntyre

No: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

Resolution 2026-97

Payment of Bills

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

Yes: Councilmembers Scull, D'Antuono, Ventrice, Albala-Doyle, Reiners and McIntyre

No: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

Resolution 2026-98

Payment of NJNG Bill

Offered by Councilwoman Scull, seconded by Councilwoman McIntyre, roll call as follows:

Yes: Councilmembers Scull, Ventrice, Albala-Doyle, Reiners and McIntyre

No: None

Abstain: Councilman D'Antuono

Absent: None

Resolution 2026-99

Extending Tax Grace Period

Offered by Councilman D'Antuono, seconded by Councilman Reiners, roll call as follows:

Yes: Councilmembers Scull, D'Antuono, Ventrice, Albala-Doyle, Reiners and McIntyre

No: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

Resolution 2026-100

Approving the Bylaws of the Monmouth Municipal Joint Insurance Fund

Offered by Councilman Reiners, seconded by Councilman Ventrice, roll call as follows:

Yes: Councilmembers Scull, D'Antuono, Ventrice, Albala-Doyle, Reiners and McIntyre

No: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

Resolution 2026-101

Executive Session

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

Yes: Councilmembers Scull, D'Antuono, Ventrice, Albala-Doyle, Reiners and McIntyre

No: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

PUBLIC COMMENTS

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

Keri Pagnoni of Margerum Avenue came before the Council and asked that the residents' concerns regarding the redevelopment of the 22nd Avenue properties still be taken into consideration. She stated she understands the Planning Board makes the final decision.

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

ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL BOARD

Social Affairs Permit Application

Lake Como Day

- This is an application of the Lake Como Tourism Commission for the beer and wine area at Lake Como Day.
- Borough Clerk Amy Boney stated that the application is complete and there are no changes from last year.
- The Belmar Police Department does not have an issue with this application.

Councilman Reiners made a motion to approve the application, seconded by

Councilwoman Scull, roll call as follows:

Yes: Councilmembers Scull, D'Antuono, Ventrice, Albala-Doyle, Reiners and McIntyre

No: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

At this point in the meeting, the Council entered into Executive Session, reconvening at 8:11pm with nothing to report.

NEXT MEETING

The next regular meeting of the Mayor and Council will be held on Tuesday, August 4, 2026, 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 McIntyre, all are in favor.

Respectfully Submitted

Amy L. Boney. RMC

Borough Clerk

The minutes of this meeting are not verbatim. Please call Borough Hall at (732)681-3232 to schedule an appointment to hear the recording(s) of this meeting in its entirety. All recordings are subject to being destroyed 80 days after the approval of the Minutes.