



**LAKE COMO BOROUGH  
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MINUTES**

**DATE: FEBRUARY 15, 2022  
REGULAR MEETING IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE WORKSHOP**

**MEETING CALLED TO ORDER**

Mayor Higgins called the meeting to order at 7:46pm

**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 fourth day of January 2022 in which Resolution the time and place of Agenda and Regular Meetings commencing with January 4, 2022 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](http://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	Present
Nick DeMauro	Present
Peter Ventrice	Present
Heather Albala-Doyle	Excused Absences

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Councilman DeMauro made a motion to approve the minutes from the February 1, 2022 meeting seconded by Councilman D'Antuono, all are in favor.

**COMMUNICATIONS**

Councilman D'Antuono read a letter from Public Works Superintendent Brendan Maas and a letter from Deputy Treasurer Patricia Holmes announcing their retirements effective March 31, 2022.

**REPORTS OF COMMITTEES**

- Councilman Ventrice reported that the Lake Redevelopment Committee met last week and he is hopeful he will have a final full report for the Council soon. Councilman Ventrice congratulated Brendan on his retirement. All other matters are in order.

- Councilman DeMauro congratulated Brendan, stating he was great to work with and wished him the best of luck on his retirement. Councilman DeMauro reported that Borough Administrator Drew Huisman has done a phenomenal job looking into the ongoing EMS issue and believes a solution is coming shortly.
  - o Chief Scott reported that beginning February 1, 2022, all Belmar officers are equipped with body-worn cameras that will be on when they have any interactions with the public. Chief Scott congratulated Brendan on his retirement.
- All other matters are in order.
- Councilman D'Antuono reported that the street signs for the changes made with the traffic flow and parking ordinance amendments are on order. Mayor Higgins asked if the residents on the affected streets will be notified and Councilman D'Antuono responded that they will be. Councilman D'Antuono congratulated Brendan on his retirement and he knows how much Brendan has done for the town and how much he does behind the scenes. Councilman D'Antuono also congratulated Patty Holmes on her retirements stating she was the first member on the community to welcome him to the town since he was the one that bought her house and is now raising his family there. All other matters are in order.
- Councilwoman Scull congratulated Brendan and thanked him for being so helpful to everyone whenever they need him and wish him and Patty the best. All other matters are in order.
- Councilman Witte reported that all is in order under the finance committee and wished Patty the best of luck in her retirement. Councilman Witte thanked Brendan for everything he has done for Lake Como and for all his hard work over his time here. All other matters are in order.
- Mayor Higgins congratulated Brendan stating he is a very familiar face in this town and wished them the best of luck. Mayor Higgins also congratulate Patty on her retirement as well. Mayor Higgins thanked the Council for all they have done on their committees daily. He appreciates all they are doing for the town. All other matters are in order.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

No Unfinished Business

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NEW BUSINESS & CONSENT AGENDA**

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

No public comments on New Business or the Consent Agenda

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

Raffle License 2022-02  
Jersey Shore Jazz & Blues Foundation 50/50

Raffle License 2022-03  
Jersey Shore Jazz & Blues Foundation 50/50

Resolution 2022-72  
Executive Session – Contractual Matters

Councilman Witte made a motion to approve the items on the Consent Agenda, seconded by Councilwoman Scull, all are in favor.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Resolution 2022-69  
Payment of Bills  
Offered by Councilman Ventrice, seconded by Councilman DeMauro, roll call vote as follows:  
Yes: Councilmember Witte, Scull, D'Antuono, DeMauro and Ventrice  
No: None  
Abstain: None  
Absent: Councilwoman Albala-Doyle

Resolution 2022-70  
Centennial Celebration Account Dedication by Rider  
Offered by Councilman Witte, seconded by Councilwoman Scull, roll call vote as follows:  
Yes: Councilmember Witte, Scull, D'Antuono, DeMauro and Ventrice  
No: None  
Abstain: None  
Absent: Councilwoman Albala-Doyle

Resolution 2022-71  
Appointing Public Works Employee  
Offered by Councilman D'Antuono, seconded by Councilman Witte, roll call vote as follows:  
Yes: Councilmember Witte, Scull, D'Antuono, DeMauro and Ventrice  
No: None  
Abstain: None  
Absent: Councilwoman Albala-Doyle

Ordinance 2022-967  
Second Reading and Public Hearing  
Ordinance Creating and Funding of a Separate Position of

Borough Administrator for the Borough of Lake Como  
Offered by Councilwoman Scull and seconded by Councilman Witte.

No public comments on this ordinance.

Roll call vote as follows:

Yes: Councilmember Witte, Scull, D'Antuono, DeMauro and Ventrice

No: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Councilwoman Albala-Doyle

Ordinance 2022-968

Second Reading and Public Hearing

CAP Rate Ordinance

Offered by Councilman Witte and seconded by Councilwoman Scull.

No public comments on this ordinance.

Roll call vote as follows:

Yes: Councilmember Witte, Scull, D'Antuono, DeMauro and Ventrice

No: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Councilwoman Albala-Doyle

Ordinance 2022-969

Second Reading and Public Hearing

Special Events Ordinance Amendments

Offered by Councilman D'Antuono and seconded by Councilman Witte.

No public comments on this ordinance.

Roll call vote as follows:

Yes: Councilmember Witte, Scull, D'Antuono, DeMauro and Ventrice

No: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Councilwoman Albala-Doyle

Ordinance 2022-970

Amending Zoning Ordinance

First Reading and Introduction

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

Yes: Councilmember Witte, Scull, D'Antuono, DeMauro and Ventrice

No: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Councilwoman Albala-Doyle

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

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

No Public Comments

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

## **ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL BOARD**

Resolution 2022-68

Person to Person Transfer: Payday Inc. to Salty's Beach Bar – pulled from the agenda and carried until the March 15, 2022 meeting.

At this point in the meeting, the Council entered into Executive Session, reconvening at 8:38pm with nothing to report.

## **NEXT MEETING**

The next regular meeting of the Mayor and Council will be held on Tuesday, March 1, 2022, immediately following the 7:30 PM Workshop meeting and the location is to be determined. All meetings are open to the public.

## **MOTION TO ADJOURN**

Councilman D'Antuono made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Councilwoman Scull, all are in favor.

Respectfully Submitted  
Amy L. Boney  
Deputy Borough Clerk

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