

TOWNSHIP OF LONG HILL, MORRIS COUNTY, NJ TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES Friday, September 16, 2022, 10:00 AM

Clerk Phillips read the following statement:

STATEMENT OF PRESIDING OFFICER

"In compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act of New Jersey, adequate notice of this meeting specifically, the time, date and public call in information were included in the meeting that was electronically sent to the Echoes Sentinel and posted on the Township Website. The agenda and public handouts for this meeting can be viewed online at www.longhillnj.gov. A public comment period will be held in the order it is listed on the meeting agenda.

CALL MEETING TO ORDER:

Mayor Dorsi **opened the public session** of the meeting at 10:08am.

All present recited the **Pledge of Allegiance**.

ROLL CALL: Committeeman Lavender, Committee Rae, Deputy Mayor Piserchia, and Mayor Dorsi. Also present were Administrator Malool and Clerk Phillips.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

22-238 EXECUTIVE SESSION Personnel

MOVED by: Committeeman Lavender of the Township Committee of Long Hill Township, that Resolution 22-238 is hereby approved. **SECONDED** by: Deputy Mayor Piserchia. **ROLL CALL VOTE:** Committeeman Lavender; yes, Committeeman Rae; absent, Committeeman Verlezza; absent, Deputy Mayor Piserchia; yes, Mayor Dorsi; yes.

The Township Committee recessed to executive session at 10:09am. The Township Committee reconvened to regular session at 10:55am.

Attorney Prusinowski presented a motion.

MOTION: Committeeman Lavender issue appropriate discipline to Police Chief Naga for failing to comply with to appropriate authority directives. **SECOND:** Deputy Mayor Piserchia **ROLL CALL:** Committeeman Lavender; yes, Committeeman Rae; absent, Committeeman Verlezza; abstain, Deputy Mayor Piserchia; yes, Mayor Dorsi; yes.

<u>MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC</u>: Remarks and Statements Pertaining to Any Matter -Comments and remarks will be limited to 3 Minutes

- Frank Liberato asked specifics of the disciplinary action and if there was an investigation for comments made by Chief Naga at the 9/11 memorial.
- Pamela Ogens asked if the MRI study had any impact of these action. Mayor Dorsi explained
 that the MRI study has not been submitted to the town. Ms. Ogens felt that these actions have
 overtones of racism.

- Marianne Noonan spoke about Township Committee abstentions/absentees, financial decisions made by the township, fair sharing housing, and Administrator Malool.
- Donna Fucci spoke about new code enforcement officer and who made the decision to hire code enforcement officer.

ADJOURNMENT

On motion by Committeeman Lavender and seconded by Deputy Mayor Piserchia and carried unanimously to adjourn at 11:14am.

Respectfully submitted,

Megan Phillips

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Approved: September 28, 2022