Minutes
Lakewood City Council
Regular Meeting held
March 22, 2016

MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER at 8:08 p.m. by Mayor Wood in the Council Chambers at the Civic Center, 5000 Clark Avenue, Lakewood, California.

INVOCATION was offered by Monsignor Joseph Greeley, St. Pancratius Church

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was led by We ton U Woko Camp Fire Club

ROLL CALL: PRESENT: Mayor Jeff Wood
Vice Mayor Ron Piazza
Council Member Steve Croft
Council Member Diane DuBois
Council Member Todd Rogers

ANNUAL REORGANIZATION OF CITY COUNCIL
Mayor Wood stated that it had been an honor and a privilege to serve as Mayor and highlighted some of the successful events of his first term including Memorial Day at the Veterans Plaza at Del Valle Park, the Tree Lighting ceremony during the holidays, and the recently held Hall of Fame banquet and Mayor’s Prayer Breakfast. He expressed gratitude to Lakewood staff, Commissioners, and local businesses as well as school and legislative representatives for their services to the community. The Mayor also thanked his Council colleagues for their dedication and willingness to work together for a smoothly run City. He also expressed appreciation to his wife, Mary Jane, and his daughters, Kaitlin and Courtney, as well as other family members in attendance. He concluded by stating his commitment to continuing to work hard to maintain the residents’ trust and to keep Lakewood on a good path for the future.

ELECTION OF MAYOR AND VICE MAYOR
Council Member DuBois announced it was her pleasure to nominate Ron Piazza to serve as Mayor for the coming year noting his long time involvement in and contributions to the community. She cited his tireless efforts to ensure the success of the various organizations with which he was involved.

COUNCIL MEMBER DUBOIS MOVED AND MAYOR WOOD SECONDED TO NOMINATE RONALD J. PIAZZA TO SERVE AS MAYOR FOR THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: DuBois, Rogers, Piazza, Croft and Wood
NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None
ANNUAL REORGANIZATION OF CITY COUNCIL – Continued

Mayor Piazza presented outgoing Mayor Wood with a plaque, DVD and scrapbook commemorating his year of service as Mayor.

Mayor Piazza thanked his colleagues for the opportunity to serve as Mayor and conveyed his appreciation to his wife, Nancy, and his family and friends, who were in attendance, for their support. He stated that having lived in the City for most of his life, he acknowledged Lakewood’s history of being well-run and commended the Council’s dedication and integrity. He observed that regardless of their varied backgrounds, strengths and perspectives, the Council’s actions were in the best interests of the City and its residents and resulted in thoughtful and collaborative decision making. Mayor Piazza credited his mentors including the late Council Member Larry Van Nostran as well as Supervisor Don Knabe, who was in the audience, for their influence in helping him to realize the value of giving back to the community. He reported that in the coming months a plan would be announced to recognize individuals who made a difference in the community. He concluded by expressing his gratitude and pledging to do his best to maintain Lakewood’s values, in working with his Council colleagues, City staff, residents and businesses.

Council Member Croft stated that he was pleased to nominate Diane DuBois for the office of Vice Mayor. Having previously served with her on the Planning and Environment Commission and currently on the City Council, he believed that her representation on various regional boards and commissions along with her business management and community volunteer experience made her well qualified.

COUNCIL MEMBER CROFT MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER WOOD SECONDED TO NOMINATE DIANE DUBOIS TO SERVE AS VICE MAYOR. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Croft, DuBois, Rogers, Wood and Piazza
NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

ROUTINE ITEMS:
COUNCIL MEMBER CROFT MOVED AND VICE MAYOR DUBOIS SECONDED TO APPROVE ROUTINE ITEMS 1 THROUGH 8.

RI-1 Approval of Minutes of the Meeting held March 8, 2016
RI-2 Approval of Personnel Transactions
RI-3 Approval of Registers of Demands
RI-4 Approval of Monthly Report of Investment Transactions
ROUTINE ITEMS: - Continued
RI-5  Authorization to Issue Purchase Order to Cost Share Paving 215th Street East of Pioneer Boulevard

RI-6  RESOLUTION NO. 2016-12;  A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD ADDING A JOB CLASSIFICATION AND AMENDING EXISTING PAY RATE IN ATTACHMENT B OF RESOLUTION NO. 2014-27

RI-7  Approval of Request for Substitution of Sub-Contractor – Public Works Contract 2015-05, The Centre at Sycamore Plaza Boiler Replacement

RI-8  Approval of Purchase of Bulk and CO₂ Tanks for Mayfair and McCormick Pools

UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

AYES:  COUNCIL MEMBERS:  Croft, DuBois, Rogers, Wood and Piazza
NAYS:  COUNCIL MEMBERS:  None

2.1 • ADOPTION OF SIGNATURE RESOLUTIONS
City Attorney Steve Skolnik stated that the proposed resolutions were part of the annual process of obtaining the appropriate signatures to be filed in order that checks could be written.

RESOLUTION NO. 2016-13;  A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD AUTHORIZING THE CITY TREASURER TO DEPOSIT FUNDS FOR SAFEKEEPING AND INVESTMENT AND AUTHORIZING WITHDRAWAL OF FUNDS FROM DEPOSITORIES

RESOLUTION NO. 2016-14;  A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD AUTHORIZING THE USE OF THE MANUAL, FACSIMILE AND/OR ELECTRONIC SIGNATURE OF RONALD J. PIAZZA, MAYOR, IN THE EXECUTION OF PUBLIC SECURITIES AND INSTRUMENTS OF PAYMENT

RESOLUTION NO. 2016-15;  A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD AUTHORIZING THE USE OF THE MANUAL, FACSIMILE AND/OR ELECTRONIC SIGNATURE OF DIANE DUBOIS, MAYOR PRO TEM, IN THE EXECUTION OF PUBLIC SECURITIES AND INSTRUMENTS OF PAYMENT

COUNCIL MEMBER WOOD MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER ROGERS SECONDED TO ADOPT RESOLUTIONS NO. 2016-13, 2016-14 AND 2016-15. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

AYES:  COUNCIL MEMBERS:  Croft, DuBois, Rogers, Wood and Piazza
NAYS:  COUNCIL MEMBERS:  None
3.1 • VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION MONTH ACTIVITIES
Recreation and Community Services Director Lisa Litzinger displayed slides and gave a presentation based on the memo in the agenda. She stated the Recreation and Community Services Department had planned several events for volunteer recognition and appreciation during the month of April, National Volunteer Month. She noted that many programs, like Lakewood Youth Sports, Meals on Wheels, and Project Shepherd, could not be offered without the assistance of Lakewood’s many volunteers. She also featured volunteer events and programs such as Teens in Lakewood Care (TLC), Junior Lifeguards, instructors offering free classes at the Weingart Senior Center, and the annual Lakewood Volunteer Day.

SUCCESSOR HOUSING ACTIONS
1. Approval of Registers of Demands
COUNCIL MEMBER WOOD MOVED AND VICE MAYOR DUBOIS SECONDED TO APPROVE THE REGISTERS OF DEMANDS. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Croft, DuBois, Rogers, Wood and Piazza
NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS: None

ADJOURNMENT
There being no further business to be brought before the City Council, Mayor Piazza adjourned the meeting at 8:41 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jo Mayberry, CMC
City Clerk