

## WOODSTOWN BOROUGH COUNCIL MINUTES

February 26, 2013

The regular meeting of the Borough Council of the Borough of Woodstown, County of Salem was held on the 26<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2013 at 7:00 PM in the Borough Hall in accordance with the Annual Notice adopted January 3, 2013 advertised in the South Jersey Times and the Daily Journal posted in the Borough Hall Foyer in compliance with the Sunshine Law NJSA 10:4-5 to 10:4-21.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Don Dietrich, followed by the flag salute.

The following members were present:

Don Dietrich	Joe Hiles
Fran Grenier	Veronica Soultz
Ed Segrest	Glenn Merkle

Absent: Dave Layton

Also Present:

Cris Simmermon	Cynthia Dalessio
Jim Hackett	Jane Gallagher
Danielle Farrell	Dan Lockwood
Chapman Vail	Tom Coleman
Frank Rizzo	Dan Lockwood
Peter Zupko	John Berenato

### **Public Portion**

Residents of High Bridge were present to ask for a status update for their development. Mayor Dietrich informed them that the check has not been received yet.

Dan Lockwood requested permission to hold a 5k run on the 18<sup>th</sup> of March in memory of his brother. It will be called "Mark's Run for Special Needs". It is to raise money for the ARC and also for a \$1,000 scholarship for a Woodstown High School student. Ms. Soultz requested that the proposed route be changed to avoid overtime costs for police.

Jennifer Stubbins was present to discuss the new Parking Ordinance. She stated that she received a notice from the Police Department regarding the oversized vehicles in her yard. She said that she was unaware of the new Ordinance and that it would create a hardship for her to park her school bus elsewhere. She also stated that she has no place to store her trailer other than in the yard. Mayor Dietrich sympathized with Ms. Stubbins, but ultimately stated that the Ordinance was created for the "quality of life" for all residents in the Borough.

### **Minutes**

A motion was made by Mr. Grenier to approve the minutes of the January 22, 2013 Council meeting, seconded by Mr. Hiles. Absent: Mr. Layton

A motion was made by Mr. Grenier to approve the minutes of the February 12, 2013 Council meeting, seconded by Mr. Hiles. Absent: Mr. Layton

### **Finance**

#### **Resolution 2013-26**

Amending the Temporary Budget was approved on a motion by Mr. Grenier, seconded by Ms. Soultz, followed by a unanimous roll call vote of Council. Absent: My Layton

#### **Resolution 2013-27**

Transferring Reserves was approved on a motion by Mr. Grenier, seconded by Mr. Merkle, followed by a unanimous roll call vote of Council. Absent: Mr. Layton

Mr. Hackett stated that as a result of Mr. Rosenberger's letter to Waste Management, the Borough has received a check in the amount of \$6,293.00 for our recyclables. Ms. Dalessio stated that the Borough is entitled to a payment every year for recyclables and that Waste Management should be contacted and asked to review their records back to 2009 to see what else is owed to the Borough.

### **Public Safety**

The Reliance Fire Company will hold a banquet on March 23, 2013. RSVP by March 6<sup>th</sup>. They will also be having a fundraiser breakfast on March 3, 2013 from 7:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

A letter was received from Bill Seddon requesting that Maple Court be changed to a one way street. Mr. Simmermon reviewed the number of accidents on Maple Court and determined that there have been three total accidents over the years, accounting for 0.7% of accidents in the Borough. There was also discussion regarding decreased response time for the ambulance squad, which is located on Maple Court. The overall consensus was that Maple Court does not warrant a one way sign and that Ms. Soultz will respond to Mr. Seddon regarding denial of his request.

### **Utilities**

Chapman Vail, Tom Coleman, and Frank Rizzo of Woodstown High School were present to request approval of water connection application for the new education building on East Lake Rd. They are open to sharing costs for moving the fire hydrant and easement. They also withdrew their request for waiving the connection fee. A motion to approve the water connection application was made by Mr. Hiles, seconded by Mr. Grenier. Absent: Mr. Layton

Peter Zupko and John Beranato requested approval of the application for water for the Woodstown Wash Tub Laundromat. A Letter of Credit will be issued to cover the connection fee based on 4 EDUs for one year and will be reevaluated at the end of the year. A motion to agree to the number of EDUs and Letter of Credit as determined by the Sewerage Authority was made by Mr. Grenier, seconded by Mr. Segrest. Absent: Mr. Layton

Reduction of the water bill for one of the apartments at Project Freedom in the amount of \$644.44 was approved on a motion by Mr. Hiles, seconded by Mr. Grenier, followed by a unanimous roll call vote of Council. Absent: Mr. Layton

### **Streets and Roads**

Paul Horvath requested a crosswalk be installed between the First Baptist Church and Layton's Funeral Home on South Main Street. Mr. Hiles met with Mr. Horvath to discuss his request. He would like a striped crosswalk with removable pedestrian signs. He stated that he will pay for the signs. South Main Street is a County road and Mr. Horvath would like a letter of recommendation from the Borough to submit to the County. Mr. Hiles stated that he is not comfortable with submitting a letter until he speaks with a representative of the County first.

### **General Government**

A motion to open public hearing for the Sign Ordinance was made by Mr. Segrest, seconded by Ms. Soultz. Absent: Mr. Layton

There being no comments from the public, the public hearing was closed.

A motion to approve the Sign Ordinance was made by Mr. Segrest, seconded by Mr. Grenier, followed by a unanimous roll call vote of Council. Absent: Mr. Layton

### **Health Recreation and Welfare**

A motion to approve a Request for Information regarding a Shared Services Agreement for trash and recycling pending final details to be submitted to surrounding communities within a 25 mile radius of the Borough in Gloucester, Salem and Cumberland Counties was made by Mr. Segrest, seconded by Mr. Merkle, followed by a unanimous roll call vote of Council. Absent: Mr. Layton

The Green Acres Resolution was tabled until the next Council meeting.

Mr. Merkle met with Sammi of Project Freedom regarding their participation in a community garden. She stated that there is currently no room on their grounds for a garden. Mr. Merkle will schedule a meeting with executives of Project Freedom to discuss this matter further.

**Solicitor's Report**

No report.

A motion was made to pay the bills by Mr. Grenier, seconded by Mr. Segrest.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:45 PM.

Jane Gallagher  
Assistant to the Borough Clerk