

WOODSTOWN BOROUGH COUNCIL MINUTES

March 26, 2013

The regular meeting of the Borough Council of the Borough of Woodstown, County of Salem was held on the 26th day of March, 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
Fran Grenier
Ed Segrest
Dave Layton

Joe Hiles
Veronica Soultz
Glenn Merkle

Absent: E

Also Present:

Cris Simmermon
Jim Hackett
Harry Vanaman

Cynthia Dalessio
Jane Gallagher
Valerie Lacy

Public Portion

Residents of High Bridge were present to ask for a status update for their development. Mr. Hiles stated that the release is expected to arrive at Mr. Rosenberger's office shortly. Once that is received a determination will be made as to how to proceed with the work. The residents also asked when an estimated start date will be. There is no estimated start date yet. The release has to be received and be legally acceptable. Once the money is received it will then be decided how they will be used and who will manage the funds. Mr. Layton stated that at the next meeting he will report back on the status, but he can't guarantee that any final decisions will have been made.

Minutes

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

Finance

ORDINANCE 2013-3

A motion to open public hearing for an ORDINANCE FIXING AND ESTABLISHING SALARIES AND COMPENSATION OF THE POLICE OFFICERS OF THE BOROUGH OF WOODSTOWN was made by Mr. Grenier, seconded by Mr. Hiles.

Valerie Lacy asked what percentage was the increase to the police salaries. Mr. Hackett stated that it was one percent, per the contract.

A motion to close the public hearing was made by Mr. Grenier, seconded by Mr. Hiles, followed by a unanimous roll call vote of Council.

A motion to adopt Ordinance 2013-3 was made by Mr. Grenier, seconded by Mr. Merkle, followed by a unanimous roll call vote of Council.

ORDINANCE 2013-4

A motion to open public hearing for an ORDINANCE AMENDING AN ORDINANCE FIXING AND ESTABLISHING SALARIES AND COMPENSATION OF THE OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE BOROUGH OF WOODSTOWN was made by Mr. Grenier, seconded by Mr. Segrest.

Valerie Lacy asked if there was an increase. Mr. Hackett stated there was no increase. There was a reduction in salary for the Construction and Zoning Officials.

A motion to close the public hearing was made by Mr. Grenier, seconded by Mr. Layton, followed by a unanimous roll call vote of Council.

A motion to adopt Ordinance 2013-4 was made by Mr. Grenier, seconded by Mr. Merkle, followed by a unanimous roll call vote of Council.

RESOLUTION 2013-33

A motion to approve Resolution Amending Temporary Budget in the amount of \$176,679.00 was made by Mr. Grenier, seconded by Mr. Layton, followed by a unanimous roll call vote of Council.

RESOLUTION 2013-34

A motion to approve Resolution Amending Temporary Budget for Water Utility in the amount of \$20,000.00 was made by Mr. Grenier, seconded by Mr. Segrest, followed by a unanimous roll call vote of Council.

Mr. Hackett reminded Council that the public hearing for the budget will be at the next meeting and the auditor will be here. He also stated that the budget is subject to review by the Local Government Services.

Public Safety

The Reliance Fire Company will be having a coin drop on June 1 and September 7 from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

The Antique Fire Truck Association requested permission to hold their annual show at Memorial Lake on June 9, 2013. It was approved conditioned upon them paying for grass restoration.

Utilities

RESOLUTION 2013-35

A motion to approve Resolution Establishing a Procedure to Determine EDUs for a Laundromat was made by Mr. Layton, seconded by Mr. Grenier, followed by a unanimous roll call vote of Council.

Mr. Layton stated that that Well No. 6 is operational and can be blended with other wells to reduce the sodium in the water. The ACO will be closed in April.

Fire Hydrant flushing will begin Sunday, March 31 through Thursday April 4. They will only work at night to avoid overtime.

The wells of some Pilesgrove residents on East Lake Road were found to be contaminated from the Sunoco Gas Station years ago. Ms. Farrell was contacted regarding recent requests from some residents to hook into the Borough's water supply. Mr. Layton stated that we should consider all application requests.

Streets and Roads

Mr. Simmermon stated that currently employees of Layton's Funeral Home are directing traffic during funerals. He also stated that it is against the law to put temporary yield signs in the street. All cross walks have to be clearly marked with stripes. Mr. Hiles would like the current crosswalk to be moved to the south corner of Green Street. He requested that the letter to the Salem County Freeholders include the request for signage for this project.

A motion to send a Resolution to the Salem County Freeholders requesting the crosswalk to be moved to the southern corner of Green Street with the additional request for ADA compliant

sidewalk cut-outs and signage was made by Mr. Hiles, seconded by Mr. Layton, followed by a unanimous roll call vote of Council with the exception of Mr. Merkle and Mr. Segrest, who voted no.

A request was received by Mr. Bader of 38 Bailey Street for installation of a street light in front of his house. He stated that there has been a significant increase of foot traffic and there is no lighting. He stated there is a telephone pole in front of his house and the street light could be installed on it. The Borough would have to incur the cost of installation and electric bills for the light. Mr. Hiles will get an estimate for those costs.

General Government

ORDINANCE 2013-5

A motion to open public hearing for an ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 87 OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE was made by Mr. Segrest, seconded by Mr. Grenier.

Valarie Lacy asked what part of the Ordinance was being amended. Mr. Segrest stated the maximum vehicle length was being increased from 22 feet to 24 feet.

A motion to close public the public hearing was made by Mr. Grenier, seconded by Mr. Layton, followed by a unanimous roll call vote of Council.

A motion to adopt Ordinance 2013-5 was made by Mr. Segrest, seconded by Mr. Grenier, followed by a unanimous roll call vote of Council, with the exception of Mr. Merkle, Mr. Layton and Mr. Hiles, who voted no. The Mayor voted yes to adopt the Ordinance.

	<u>VOTE</u>
Mayor Dietrich	Yes
Mr. Merkle	No
Mr. Grenier	Yes
Mr. Layton	No
Ms. Soultz	Yes
Mr. Segrest	Yes
Mr. Hiles	No

East Greenwich Township requested more time to gather data concerning the RFI for the shared services agreement proposal for trash collection.

Health Recreation and Welfare

Mr. Merkle met with Don Rafuse at Watson Park regarding potential placement of a community garden. There are two areas that are acceptable for a garden. Water is not currently available at these two locations and would have to be installed, along with other items. It was decided that the project be put on hold.

Mr. Grenier spoke with representatives of Pilesgrove regarding a joint Arbor Day ceremony on April 26 at 7:00 p.m.

Solicitor's Report

No report.

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

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:19 PM.

Jane Gallagher

Assistant to the Borough Clerk