

WOODSTOWN BOROUGH COUNCIL MINUTES

April 8, 2014

The regular meeting of the Borough Council of the Borough of Woodstown, County of Salem was held on the 11th day of March, 2014 at 7:00 PM in the Borough Hall in accordance with the Annual Notice adopted January 6, 2014 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:

Glenn Merkle	Dave Layton	Matt Perry
Ed Segrest	Joe Hiles	

Members Absent: Fran Grenier.

Also Present:

Cynthia Dalessio	Cris Simmermon	George Rosenberger
Jim Hackett	Danielle Farrell	Mike Quinnette
Auditor Nick Petroni	Deanna Roller	Buster Burden

Public Portion

There being no comment the public portion was closed.

Minutes

A motion was made by Mr. Layton, seconded by Mr. Segrest to approve the minutes of the March 25, 2014 Council meeting.

Finance

BUDGET

The public hearing was opened on a motion by Mr. Hiles, seconded by Mr. Layton. Mr. Hiles stated that he is opposed to the salary increase for Council. There being no comment from the public the hearing was closed.

RESOLUTION 2014-35

Amending the 2014 budget was moved by Mr. Hiles, seconded by Mr. Merkle and a unanimous roll call vote.

RESOLUTION 2014-36

Adopting the 2014 budget was moved by Mr. Hiles, seconded by Mr. Merkle and the following roll call vote:

Merkle – Yes	Layton – Yes	Perry – Yes
Segrest – Yes	Hiles – No	

Utilities

Mr. Layton stated that the sidewalk on Green Street is being done and they should be putting down the base coat soon. Mr. Layton left at 7:15 due to illness.

Public Safety

RESOLUTIONS 2014-37 through 40

Abandoned vehicles on Auburn Road, West Avenue and South Main Street were moved by Mr. Segrest, seconded by Mr. Perry and a unanimous roll call vote.

RESOLUTION 2014-41

Authorizing MAPSA grant application was adopted on a motion by Mr. Segrest, seconded by Mr. Perry and a unanimous roll call vote.

The court has obtained quotes for a new court recorder. A motion was made by Mr. Segrest, seconded by Mr. Perry and a unanimous roll call vote approving the low bid from Office Business Systems at a cost not to exceed \$2,780.00.

RESOLUTION 2014-42

Chapter 159 for Police In-Car Camera Systems was moved by Mr. Segrest, seconded by Mr. Perry and a unanimous roll call vote.

Reliance Fire Company will hold coin drops on May 31 and August 23 which was approved on a motion by Mr. Segrest, seconded by Mr. Perry and a unanimous vote except Mr. Hiles who abstained. A motion was made by Mr. Segrest, seconded by Mr. Perry to also approve the rain dates of June 1 and Aug. 24.

Mr. Simmermon reviewed the Police Department Report.

Streets and Roads

The two new trucks have been received.

RESOLUTION 2014-43

Supporting railroad project was moved by Mr. Perry, seconded by Mr. Segrest and a unanimous roll call vote.

A discussion centered around a previous request from Layton's Funeral Home to install a crosswalk directly across the street to the church parking lot. The County has proposed the \$25,000.00 cost be split three ways between the County, the Borough and Layton's. Some members of Council felt the cost is very high and some are not in favor of spending Borough funds. Mr. Perry will talk to Bill Miller with the County to see what they are looking to do.

General Government

No report.

Health Recreation and Welfare

The Mayor read a Proclamation for Arbor Day on April 25.

RESOLUTION 2014-44

Tonnage grant was moved by Mr. Merkle, seconded by Mr. Perry and a unanimous roll call vote.

A motion was made by Mr. Merkle, seconded by Mr. Perry approving the purchase of a tree not to exceed \$150.00 for planting at the Arbor Day program.

We have received a request from the Rotary to sponsor a concert for \$1,200.00. Council felt it is not in the current budget so the request is denied.

Mr. Godshall is looking into Sustainable NJ to see what the requirements would be.

The parking spaces we set aside for trash carts at Parks Gardens are not working and we would like to return them to use for parking. Mr. Rosenberger will write a letter to the property owner to move the carts to another location.

Mr. Merkle questioned who will pay for the police coverage for the July 4th run and fireworks. It was decided that the Borough will cover it again.

Solicitor's Report

Mr. Rosenberger will be preparing an easement for the stormsewer for the Macaltioner property.

There is a property on East Millbrooke Avenue with no apparent owner. It will be offered to the adjoining property owner who has been maintaining it.

Mr. Hackett reviewed the first invoice from Logan Township and questioned if the numbers are correct. Mr. Segrest stated that Logan just wanted it close and these are the numbers that will be used. A motion was made by Mr. Merkle, seconded by Mr. Segrest to add it to the bill list.

Mr. Simmermon stated that someone hit the railroad crossing on Bailey Street Saturday night and did an extensive amount of damage. They are looking for the person responsible.

A motion was made by Mr. Merkle, seconded by Mr. Perry to pay the bills with one addition.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:10 PM.

Cynthia Dalessio
Borough Clerk