

WOODSTOWN BOROUGH COUNCIL MINUTES

July 26, 2016

The regular meeting of the Borough Council of the Borough of Woodstown, County of Salem was held on the 26th day of July 2016 at 7:00 PM in the Borough Hall in accordance with the Annual Notice adopted January 5, 2016 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	Deb Tierno
Joe Hiles	Dave Layton
John Hall	

Absent: Ed Segrest, Glenn Merkle

Also Present:

Cris Simmermon	John Cantwell
William Ziegler	Jane Gallagher
James Hackett	Cynthia Dalessio
Greg Busa	Paul Forienza
Dave Strout	

Public Portion

Paul Forlenza, TRICO JIF Deputy Executive Director, conducted his renewal presentation. He stated it's the most successful example of interlocal cooperation. He also stated there is 12 million dollars in dividends, 18 million dollars in surplus.

Minutes

A motion to approve the minutes of the July 12, 2016 meeting with corrections was made by Mr. Hiles, seconded by Mr. Layton, followed by a unanimous roll call vote of Council, with the exception of Ms. Tierno who abstained. Absent: Mr. Merkle, Mr. Segrest

Solicitor's Report

Mr. Zeigler stated USDA proposed a \$4,019.00 settlement amount regarding the Ed Nolan Estate housing rehabilitation loan. The amount owed to the Borough was \$5037.00. He recommended accepting this offer in the form of a resolution.

Mr. Zeigler will confirm that the Fire Marshall of Gloucester County is not interested in doing the non-life hazard inspections.

Finance

Mr. Busa presented his Tax Assessor's Report. There were 50 tax appeals this year, compared to last year's amount of 37. The Borough lost just under \$1,000,000 in ratables. Appeals are up throughout the County. Just over half of the appeals are settled.

The Cash Position report was presented.

ORDINANCE 2016-13 AMENDING AN ORDINANCE FIXING AND ESTABLISHING SALARIES AND COMPENSATION OF THE OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE BOROUGH OF WOODSTOWN

Ordinance 2016-13 was opened for public hearing. With there being no comment from the public, the public hearing was closed. A motion to adopt Ordinance 2016-13 was made by Mr. Hiles, seconded by Mr. Hall, with a unanimous roll call vote of Council. Absent: Mr. Merkle, Mr. Segrest

Public Safety

No Report.

Utilities

Water usage and receipts are about the same as last year.

The design portion of the Maple Court project is not covered under the grant. This matter has been put on hold until the State removes the ban on construction of transportation trust fund projects and resolves the funding issue.

The Mayor received a letter from the Sewerage Authority stating that there were millings in the manholes from the repaving on North Main Street. These caused a blockage that had to be shoveled out. The manholes are also sealed and will have to be pried open. The Sewerage Authority is looking for possible reimbursement by the State. Mayor Dietrich will reach out to his contact at the State regarding this issue.

Streets and Roads

The investigation of the water leak on Alloway Road is complete. It was determined that the leak was not the fault of any construction work on the road, rather it was coming from the side of one of the property owners. Don Simons has been working on this matter.

General Government

RESOLUTION 2016-59 **IDENTIFYING SMALL CITIES PROGRAM FAIR HOUSING OFFICER**

Resolution 2016-59 was approved on a motion by Mr. Hall, seconded by Mr. Hiles, followed by a unanimous roll call vote of Council. Absent: Mr. Merkle, Mr. Segrest

RESOLUTION 2016-60 **ADOPTION OF STATE MODEL CITIZEN PARTICIPATION PLAN FOR DCA SMALL CITIES PROGRAM**

Resolution 2016-60 was approved on a motion by Mr. Hall, seconded by Mr. Hiles, followed by a unanimous roll call vote of Council. Absent: Mr. Merkle, Mr. Segrest

RESOLUTION 2016-61 **APPROVING HOUSING REHABILITATION GRANT MANAGEMENT PLAN**

Resolution 2016-61 was approved on a motion by Mr. Hall, seconded by Mr. Hiles, followed by a unanimous roll call vote of Council. Absent: Mr. Merkle, Mr. Segrest

RESOLUTION 2016-62 **ADOPTING HOUSING REHABILITATION POLICIES AND PROCEDURES MANUAL**

Resolution 2016-62 was approved on a motion by Mr. Hall, seconded by Mr. Hiles, followed by a unanimous roll call vote of Council. Absent: Mr. Merkle, Mr. Segrest

RESOLUTION 2016-63 **APPROVING PUBLIC FACILITIES GRANT MANAGEMENT PLAN**

Resolution 2016-63 was approved on a motion by Mr. Hall, seconded by Mr. Hiles, followed by a unanimous roll call vote of Council. Absent: Mr. Merkle, Mr. Segrest

RESOLUTION 2016-64 **ACCEPTING THE SUM OF \$4,019.83 IN FULL SATISFACTION OF THE AMOUNTS OWING ON THE HOUSING REHABILITATION LOAN ISSUED IN FAVOR OF THE ESTATE OF ED NOLAN**

Resolution 2016-64 was approved on a motion by Mr. Hall, seconded by Mr. Hiles, followed by a unanimous roll call vote of Council. Absent: Mr. Merkle, Mr. Segrest

A motion to approve final payment to Krise Electric in the amount of \$874.13 for generator work was made by Mr. Hall, seconded by Mr. Hiles, followed by a unanimous roll call vote of Council.

The drip pan for the air conditioner overflowed and caused some water damage in the council room. A pump pay be needed since the drain is backpitched.

Health, Recreation & Open Space

A motion to approve the request of James Pope for use of Watson Memorial Park for a party August 20, 2016 with bathroom privileges, was made by Mr. Hall, seconded by Hiles, followed by a unanimous roll call vote of Council.

New Jersey Transit will start transport in Freedom Village in January

Pay Bills

A motion to pay the bills was made by Mr. Hiles, seconded by Mr. Hall, followed by a unanimous roll call vote of Council. Absent: Mr. Merkle, Mr. Segrest

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned 7:53 p.m.

Jane Gallagher, Assistant to the Borough Clerk