

WOODSTOWN BOROUGH COUNCIL MINUTES

October 14, 2014

The regular meeting of the Borough Council of the Borough of Woodstown, County of Salem was held on the 14th day of October, 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:

Don Dietrich	Glenn Merkle
Joe Hiles	Fran Grenier
Matt Perry	Ed Segrest
Dave Layton	

Also Present:

Cynthia Dalessio	Jane Gallagher
Mike Galante	Mike Quinnette
Cris Simmermon	Virginia Hibbard
Valarie Lacy	Jim Hackett

Public Portion

Mr. Quinnette was present to express his thanks to Mr. Rosenberger for his work on the BP property.

Minutes

A motion to approve the minutes of the September 23, 2014 Council meeting was made by Mr. Layton, seconded by Mr. Grenier. Abstained: Mr. Segrest

Finance

RESOLUTION 2014-73
CANCELLING TAXES, WATER & SEWER ON THREE PROPERTIES

Resolution 2014-73 was approved on a motion by Mr. Hiles, seconded by Mr. Layton, followed by a unanimous roll call vote of Council.

Mr. Hackett created a bank account for the required residential development fees. However, no money has been collected to date. This issue should be addressed by the Construction Code Official and the Tax Assessor. Mr. Hackett will obtain a list of properties for further discussion.

The Best Practices worksheet was reviewed.

A budget workshop will be held at 5:30 pm on October 28, 2014.

Public Safety

RESOLUTION 2014-74 PROVIDING FOR THE INSERTION OF ANY SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE IN THE 2014 BUDGET OF THE BOROUGH OF WOODSTOWN

Resolution 2014-72 was approved on a motion by Mr. Segrest, seconded by Mr. Layton, followed by a unanimous roll call vote of Council.

RESOLUTION 2014-75 REAPPOINTING PERSONNEL FOR THE MID-SALEM COUNTY COURT

Resolution 2014-75 was approved on a motion by Mr. Segrest, seconded by Mr. Grenier, followed by a unanimous roll call vote of Council.

The Police Report was presented.

Utilities

The Engineer's Report was presented.

The East Millbrooke Ave. project is complete except for the punch list items. The project finished \$46,000.00 under budget.

A resolution will be needed to apply for grant for the reconstruction of Maple Court.

The Rotary Club has asked Don Simons to speak about water service.

Streets and Roads

RESOLUTION 2014-76 SNOW REMOVAL RESERVE TRUST FUND

Resolution 2014-76 was approved on a motion by Mr. Perry, seconded by Mr. Merkle, followed by a unanimous roll call vote of Council authorizing the Chief Financial Officer to create an account with revenue dedicated for snow removal.

A motion to approve second payment in the amount of \$119,530.97 to Pierson Construction was made by Mr. Perry, seconded by Mr. Grenier, followed by a unanimous roll call vote of Council.

General Government

ORDINANCE 2014-12 AMENDING CHAPTER 67, SECTION 70 OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE FOR THE BOROUGH OF WOODSTOWN

Public Hearing was opened on a motion by Mr. Grenier, seconded by Mr. Layton, followed by a unanimous roll call vote of Council.

With there being no from comment the public, the public hearing was closed.

A motion to adopt Ordinance 2014-12 was made by Mr. Grenier, seconded by Mr. Layton, followed by a unanimous roll call vote of Council.

A motion to approve content transfer from the old website to the new website in the amount of \$900.00 was made by Mr. Grenier, seconded by Mr. Layton, followed by a unanimous roll call vote of Council.

The highest bids for the three foreclosed properties have received bids as follows:

40 West Avenue; \$3,300.00.

Old Salem Road; \$1,000.00

361 South Main Street \$100.00

A motion to accept the bids and return the deposits to the non-winning bidders was made by Mr. Grenier, seconded by Mr. Merkle, followed by a unanimous roll call vote of Council.

Health, Recreation & Open Space

There is no news on the Alloway Road property.

Forrest Eichmann will receive the first Outstanding Citizen Award at the next Council Meeting.

A possible oil leak has been reported for 13 E. Grant Street. Harry Vanaman and Cris Simmermon will have to address this.

The Joint Environmental Commission recently did a planting at Memorial Lake.

Solicitor's Report

No Report

Veteran of the Year will be Charlie Haaf, Sr. His award will be given at the November 10, 2014 meeting.

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

A motion to enter into closed session due for contract negotiations was made by Mr. Layton, seconded by Mr. Segrest.

A motion to return to open session was made by Mr. Layton, seconded by Mr. Hiles

A motion to hire a tax appraiser for the Hillcrest II tax appeal in an amount not to exceed \$4,500.00 was made by Mr. Layton, seconded by Mr. Hiles, followed by a unanimous roll call vote of Council.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:35 PM.

Jane Gallagher
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