

# WOODSTOWN BOROUGH COUNCIL MINUTES

March 26, 2019

The regular meeting of the Borough Council of the Borough of Woodstown, County of Salem was held at 7:00 PM in the Borough Hall in accordance with the Annual Notice adopted January 2, 2019 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:

Valerie Lacy                      John Hall  
Joe Hiles  
Glenn Merkle

The following members were absent:

Bertha Hyman                      Stacy Shorter-Carney

Also Present:

Melissa Fackler                      Jim Hackett  
Shawn Glynn                      Erik Biermann  
Ray Mattson                      Edel Huskey  
Adam Telsey                      Welsey Burden

## **Public Portion**

No comments.

## **Minutes**

Approval of Council minutes from March 12, 2019 was done on a motion by Mr. Hiles and seconded by Mr. Merkle with a unanimous vote.

## **Solicitor's Report**

Mr. Telsey informed Council he has been working with Mr. Merkle on the Police contract and that they have a meeting next week with the Union attorney to discuss the contract.

Mr. Telsey has reviewed the revised bond from South Jersey Gas and confirms there are no issues.

## **Finance**

### **Resolution 2019-31**

A resolution amending the temporary budget in the amount not to exceed \$14,900.00 was approved on a motion by Mrs. Lacy and seconded by Mr. Hiles followed by a unanimous roll call vote.

### **ORDINANCE 2019-1**

#### **AN ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK.**

Public hearing was opened and hearing no comments public portion was closed.

A motion to adopt Ordinance 2019-1 was done by Mrs. Lacy and seconded by Mr. Hiles followed by a unanimous roll call vote.

### **ORDINANCE 2019-2**

#### **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AN ORDINANCE FIXING AND ESTABLISHING SALARIES AND COMPENSATION OF THE OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE BOROUGH OF WOODSTOWN, COUNTY OF SALEM, STATE OF NEW JERSEY.**

Public hearing was opened and hearing no comments public portion was closed.

A motion to adopt Ordinance 2019-2 was done by Mrs. Lacy and seconded by Mr. Hiles followed by a unanimous roll call vote.

### **Resolution 2019-32**

A resolution introducing the 2019 budget for the Borough of Woodstown with the total amount of appropriations not to exceed \$3,694,996.04 was approved on a motion by Mrs. Lacy and seconded by Mr. Hiles followed by a unanimous roll call vote.

### **Resolution 2019-33**

A resolution awarding bond anticipation notes in the amount not to exceed \$2,000,000.00 for a period not to exceed one year was approved on a motion by Mrs. Lacy and seconded by Mr. Merkle followed by a unanimous roll call vote.

### **Public Safety**

#### **ORDINANCE 2019-3**

#### **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING 35-5 OF THE ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF WOODSTOWN REGARDING HOURS FOR SALE OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES.**

Public hearing was opened and hearing no comments public portion was closed.

A motion to adopt Ordinance 2019-3 was done by Mr. Merkle and seconded by Mr. Hall followed by a unanimous roll call vote.

#### **ORDINANCE 2019-4**

#### **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 11 OF THE ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF WOODSTOWN REGARDING EMERGENCY SERVICES COST RECOVERY.**

Public hearing was opened and hearing no comments public portion was closed.

A motion to adopt Ordinance 2019-4 was done by Mr. Merkle and seconded by Mrs. Lacy followed by a unanimous roll call vote except for Mr. Hiles who abstained.

A motion to approve Kathy's Run on Sunday May 11 at 8:00am was done by Mr. Merkle and seconded by Mr. Hall followed by a unanimous vote.

### **Utilities**

#### **Resolution 2019-34**

A resolution awarding contract for water lab testing to ALS Environmental in the amount not to exceed \$14,814.00 for a total of one year with the option to renew for a second year at the rate not to exceed \$14,814.00 was approved on a motion by Mr. Hiles and seconded by Mr. Merkle followed by a unanimous roll call vote.

A motion to deny Tom Haaf's request for a reduction in his water bill was done by Mr. Hiles and seconded by Mr. Merkle followed by a unanimous vote.

Mr. Biermann informed Council that Pioneer Pipe has another week of night work and few mains to still switch over, which will have to be done on day work.

Broad Street storm sewer has been reviewed again. Mr. Hiles would like Mr. Biermann to get a quote for fixing the storm sewer by the Fire House to Broad Street, which Mr. Biermann will be emailing it to Mr. Merkle. By next meeting we will have cost estimates from Mr. Biermann and discuss options for funding.

### **Streets and Roads**

#### **ORDINANCE 2019-5**

#### **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 78 OF THE ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF WOODSTOWN REGARDING STREET OPENINGS.**

A motion to introduce Ordinance 2019-5 was done by Mr. Merkle and seconded by Mr. Hall followed by a unanimous roll call vote.

A motion to give Kevin Crouch an old fire hydrant when they are replaced was made by Mr. Merkle and seconded by Mr. Hall followed by a unanimous vote.

### **General Government**

A discussion regarding the Path to Progress recommendations and resolution was held. Mr. Merkle brought up concerns regarding the reform of local schools and the possibility of County Wide Police.

#### **Resolution 2019-35**

A resolution in support of Path to Progress Recommendations made by New Jersey Economic and Fiscal Policy Workgroup was approved on a motion by Mr. Hiles and seconded by Mr. Hall followed by a roll call vote, Mr. Hiles voted yes, Mr. Hall voted yes, Mr. Merkle voted no and Mrs. Lacy abstained.

Woodstown-Pilesgrove Business Association is holding a softball tournament to raise money.

**Health, Recreation & Open Space**

There was a HIF meeting held earlier this week and 1.2 million in dividends will be getting paid out. The Borough will be getting a check, but we do not know the amount yet.

Recycle Coach App is available for download and is a great tool help residents to stay up to date.

Paying the bills were approved on a motion by Mr. Hiles and seconded by Mr. Hall followed by unanimous vote.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned 8:17 PM

Melissa Fackler, Deputy Clerk