

WOODSTOWN BOROUGH COUNCIL MINUTES

May 14, 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:

Bertha Hyman John Hall
Joe Hiles Stacy Shorter-Carney
Valerie Lacy Glenn Merkle

Also Present:

Melissa Fackler Jim Hackett
Erik Biermann Cynthia Dalessio
Ray Mattson Edel Huskey
Adam Telsey Dell Braxton
Lavera Braxton-Spence Sonya Lindenmuth
Frank Mitchell

Public Portion

Mrs. Braxton from 442 South Main Street came to discuss her concern for the number of large trucks that have been detouring off Bailey Street. Also, speeding is a concern and she would like something to be done.

Mrs. Braxton-Spence from 438 South Main Street would like to see more of a police presence to help control the speeds of traffic considering there is a large amount of foot traffic and it is not safe. Mrs. Lindenmuth also added in that she has to take her kids to school because she doesn't feel like its safe for them to walk with all the traffic. People have been making illegal U-Turns and they are hitting Mrs. Braxton-Spence's mailbox, which she has to fix at her own cost.

Chief Mattson said he can put the sign out for a radar survey and review the data. Also, since it's a County road it's hard to limit what cars or trucks come in.

Mrs. Lacy has asked that the tall grass on the sidewalks be taken care of on the bank owned field on South Main and Bailey. Mr. Hall is going to have the County come spray until our guys are licensed to spray.

Minutes

Approval of council minutes from April 23, 2019 was done on a motion by Mr. Hiles and seconded by Mrs. Lacy followed by a unanimous vote.

Solicitor's Report

Mr. Telsey informed Council he is still having discussions with Police FOP attorney and he has also been working on the Ordinance to extend the Historic District.

Finance

Resolution 2019-41

A resolution removing Shawn Glynn from all accounts and adding Jim Hackett was approved on a motion by Mrs. Lacy and seconded by Mr. Hall followed by a unanimous roll call vote.

Resolution 2019-42

A resolution approving an insertion of an item of revenue in the budget of the year 2019 in the total amount of \$180,000.00 from a DOT grant for Colson Court was done on a motion by Mrs. Lacy and seconded by Mr. Hiles followed by a unanimous roll call vote.

Resolution 2019-43

A resolution approving an insertion of an item of revenue in the budget of the year 2019 in the total amount of \$2,275.00 from a JIF Safety Incentive Award was done on a motion by Mrs. Lacy and seconded by Mr. Hall followed by a unanimous roll call vote.

Resolution 2019-44

A resolution approving an insertion of an item of revenue in the budget of the year 2019 in the total amount of \$1,500.00 from the JIF Optional Safety Budget award was done on a motion by Mrs. Lacy and seconded by Mr. Hiles followed by a unanimous roll call vote.

Resolution 2019-45

A resolution approving an insertion of an item of revenue in the budget of the year 2019 in the total amount of \$1,000.00 from JIF Optional Safety Incentive was done on a motion by Mrs. Lacy and seconded by Mr. Hall followed by a unanimous roll call vote.

Resolution 2019-46

A resolution approving an insertion of an item of revenue in the budget of the year 2019 in the total amount of \$750.00 from JIF Wellness Incentive Program Award was done on a motion by Mrs. Lacy and seconded by Mr. Hall followed by a unanimous roll call vote.

Mr. Hackett asked Mr. Hall to see if the JIF can get us these amounts before the Budget gets done, in order to have them included in our normal budget. Mr. Hall will check and let Council and Mr. Hackett know what he finds out.

Mr. Hackett informed Council that all bank statements are up to date and there is 5 months worth of Cash Position in their packets for review.

Tax Collectors Report was presented for review.

Public Safety

Monthly Police Department Report was presented for review. Chief Mattson informed Council they are up over 400 calls from this time last year. However, the number of tickets issued is lower now considering the number of safety upgrades the Borough has done relating to traffic.

Mr. Merkle informed Council that on June 11 we will be honoring Jack Ledden as Outstanding Citizen.

May 27, 2019 there will be a Memorial Day celebration at the lake in Woodstown and Les Robeson will be the speaker.

Utilities

Mr. Hiles informed Council that South Jersey Gas did not meet their deadline of May 13th for repaving South Main Street. Mr. Hiles is going to try to get a meeting set up with South Jersey Gas to find out when the paving will take place and will be requesting the patch on Green Street be taken care of at the same time as South Main.

Mr. Biermann informed Council that NJDOT 2020 Municipal Aid Application is open and due on July 19, 2019.

Route 40 and 45 Storm Sewer on North Main is waiting on revised plans.

There will be no water and sewer work done this week. Next week Pioneer Pipe will be on day work for the water and sewer mains on the side streets.

Streets and Roads

Mr. Mitchell informed Council that the fences along the lake are coming along and that mulch will be getting delivered. The Public Works Department will be putting up new flags to replace the old flags.

The goose fence needs to be replaced and Mr. Mitchell will be looking into prices.

Mr. Biermann said that the Fire Ring that had fallen will need to have a footing designed by a structural engineer due to its weight.

General Government

Resolution 2019-47

A resolution to establish performance bond and escrow amount for McDonalds was approved on a motion by Mrs. Shorter-Carney and seconded by Mr. Hiles followed by unanimous roll call vote.

ORDINANCE 2019-6

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 67 OF THE ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF WOODSTOWN IN ORDER TO ADD A HISTORIC DISTRICT ZONE

A motion to introduce Ordinance 2019-6 was done by Mrs. Shorter-Carney and seconded by Mr. Hiles followed by unanimous roll call vote.

Discussion was held regarding the Town Center Designation that will expire on June 30th. Council has requested that Mrs. Fackler reach out to Bach to get a cost estimate in order to review at the next Council meeting.

Mrs. Shorter-Carney stated that Don Rafuse has received a quote for the salt bin roof in the amount of \$3,600.00 Also he has received a new estimate for the windows.

The painting has been put on hold for a few weeks due to Court.

Mr. Hall requested that Mr. Telsey look into if the Borough could charge a fee for the utility mark outs. Mr. Telsey will look into and let us know at the next meeting.

Health, Recreation & Open Space

Resolution 2019-48

A resolution authorizing a contract with Omni Recycling for marketing of recyclables was approved on a motion by Mr. Hall and seconded by Mr. Hiles followed by a unanimous roll call vote.

Resolution 2019-49

A resolution authorizing the release of restoration bond for Trident Environmental was approved on a motion by Mr. Hall and seconded by Mr. Hiles followed by a unanimous roll call vote.

A motion to approve Helen Nicholas to use Watson Park for a birthday party on May 25th from 12:00-5:00pm was done by Mr. Hall and seconded by Mr. Hiles followed by a unanimous vote. The Police will lock and unlock the restrooms for the event.

A discussion was held in regards to the newsletter and we will do this issue with Home Town Press, but then possibly look into other companies. All content is due by 5/17/19 and Mrs. Fackler will email the department heads to get information.

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 8:45 PM

Melissa Fackler, Deputy Clerk