

WOODSTOWN BOROUGH COUNCIL MINUTES

June 12, 2018

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, 2018 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 President of Council, Glenn Merkle followed by the flag salute.

The following members were present:

John Hall Valerie Lacy
Joe Hiles
Deb Tierno
Bertha Hyman

The following members were absent:

Don Dietrich

Also Present:

Wesley Burden Cynthia Dalessio
Cris Simmermon Melissa Fackler
Jim Hackett Eric Biermann
Bernie Hyman

Public Portion

Bernie Hyman came to discuss the construction on 49 Old Salem Road. He is unhappy with the way the Construction Department is handling the permits and the time frame its taking to get things completed. Ms. Tierno has offered to reach out to the Construction Department and discuss these issues.

Minutes

Approval of Council minutes from May 22, 2018 was done on a motion by Mr. Hall and second by Mr. Hiles with a unanimous vote except Ms. Tierno who abstained.

Solicitor's Report

No report

Finance

RESOLUTION 2018-39

Resolution authorizing the cancellation of a portion of second, third and fourth quarter 2018 taxes for a total disabled veteran Block 2.02, Lot 14 (Smith, David M. & Mary Ellen) was approved on a motion by Mrs. Lacy and seconded by Mr. Hiles followed by a unanimous roll call vote.

Statement of cash position was presented for review

Tax Collectors Report was presented for review.

Public Safety

RESOLUTION 2018-40

Resolution cancelling uncashed check issued by the Mid-Salem Joint Municipal Court was approved on a motion by Mr. Merkle and seconded by Ms. Tierno followed by a unanimous roll call vote.

Discussion over placing a residential speed limit sign of 25mph on Old Salem Road was held and a motion was made by Mr. Merkle to have Cris Simmermon look further into this and email his recommendations and for a letter to be sent to the county by Mrs. Dalessio.

Discussion over increasing the liquor license fees to the state maximum, which is \$188.00 for Club and \$2500.00 for consumption was held and decided to introduce an amended Ordinance at the next meeting.

FOP notice of intent to begin contract negotiations was discussed and it was decided to wait until the new chief is chosen. Mr. Merkle and Ms. Tierno will work on it with the new chief.

Police report was presented by Cris Simmermon.

Utilities

A motion authorizing Sickles to receive bids for Spring Garden and Liberty in the amount not to exceed \$15,875.00 was done by Mr. Hiles and seconded by Mr. Hall followed by a unanimous vote.

Engineers report was presented for review.

Elm St. railroad crossing pre-construction meeting will be held at the Borough on 6/13/18 and Mr. Merkle will attend.

Mr. Biermann has sent a letter starting the discussion between the County and the Borough for the Broad St drainage.

Mr. Biermann and Mrs. Wood will be working on an ordinance to allow performance bonds, because of a new law that limits bids.

Streets and Roads

No report.

General Government

RESOLUTION 2018-41

Resolution of the governing body of the Borough of Woodstown adopting the form of the New Jersey Tort Claims Act questionnaire required to be utilized by claimants for the filing of notices of tort claim against the Borough of Woodstown in accordance with the provisions of the New Jersey Tort Claims Act NJSA 59:8-6 and designating Qual-lynx as the agent for the Borough of Woodstown to provide the questionnaire to all of the claimants and to receive the completed questionnaire from the claimants was approved on a motion by Ms. Tierno and seconded by Mr. Hall followed by a unanimous roll call vote.

Health, Recreation & Open Space

Negotiating new trash and recycling contract with Logan will start in July and Mr. Hall and Mr. Merkle will be working on it together.

Paying the bills with additions was approved by Mr. Hiles and seconded by Ms. Tierno followed by unanimous vote.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned 7:47 PM

Melissa Fackler, Deputy Clerk