

WOODSTOWN BOROUGH COUNCIL MINUTES

July 10, 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 Mayor, Don Dietrich followed by the flag salute.

The following members were present:

John Hall Deb Tierno
Joe Hiles
Glenn Merkle

The following members were absent:

Bertha Hyman
Valerie Lacy

Also Present:

Dustin Wilson and several family and friends
Lois Yarrington Cynthia Dalessio
Cris Simmermon Melissa Fackler
Jim Hackett Frank Mitchell
Karin Wood Ed Segrest
Reggie Bounds

Public Portion

Swearing in of Woodstown's new patrolman Dustin Wilson was done by Mayor Don Dietrich.

Reggie Bounds from Spencer's Church discussed their 200th anniversary and requested the use of Marvin Watson Park with restrooms and electricity on July 28, 2018. A motion to allow Reggie Bounds to pick up the key at the Clerk's office and returned at the end of the event and to allow the use of the park with restrooms and electricity was approved by Mr. Hall and seconded by Mr. Merkle followed by unanimous vote.

Minutes

Approval of Council minutes from June 26, 2018 was done on a motion by Mr. Hiles and seconded by Mr. Hall with a unanimous vote except for Ms. Tierno who abstained.

Solicitor's Report

Ms. Wood is working with Nikki Trunk about the impoundment fees in the animal cruelty case.

Finance

RESOLUTION 2018-48

Resolution accepting the 2017 audit was approved on a motion by Mr. Hall and seconded by Mr. Hiles followed by a unanimous roll call vote.

Discussion of HIF dividend was held and Mr. Hackett recommended taking the option to reduce one month's bill by \$10,318.00 and to request that month be January 2019.

An email will be sent by Mr. Hackett to Council members to pick a date for a long range planning meeting. Mr. Hackett would like to review proposed project and manpower for the next 5 years.

Public Safety

Ray Mattson will be sworn in as Chief on August 14, 2018.

Utilities

Approval of Ken Quirk's water connection application for subdivided lot at 49 Auburn Street was done on a motion by Mr. Hiles and seconded by Mr. Hall followed by a unanimous vote.

A 2019 Small Cities Public Facilities grant application to replace the water main on South Main Street from Lotus Ave. to the railroad tracks was reviewed. This would be the first phase and if additional money was received the water main replacement could be extended to the end of the line. Resurfacing would be discussed with the County as it is a County road. A motion was made by Mr. Hiles and seconded by Mr. Hall authorizing \$1,800.00 for Mark Blauer to prepare and submit the application and up to \$4,000.00 for Mr. Biermann for design engineering for the application.

Streets and Roads

There will be a meeting at the school July 16, 2018 about the Route 40 project.

General Government

There are new state laws that require mandating sick time for employees. Our personnel policy is more lenient, but does not allow for carrying over up to five days to the next year. Ms. Tierno will rewrite the policy to meet the new state requirements that go into effect in October.

Health, Recreation & Open Space

The 4th of July parade went well and streets were cleaned immediately following the parade.

Mr. Hackett asked if a proclamation could be prepared by Mayor Don Dietrich for Pastor Daryl Cook at the Baptist Church to present on July 22, 2018 at his retirement party.

RESOLUTION 2018-49

A motion to go into closed session for personnel was made by Mr. Hiles and seconded by Mr. Hall followed by a unanimous vote.

A motion to return to open session was made by Mr. Hall and seconded by Mr. Hiles follow by a unanimous vote.

Paying the bills was approved on a motion by Mr. Hiles and seconded by Ms. Tierno followed by unanimous vote.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned 8:25 PM

Melissa Fackler, Deputy Clerk