

WOODSTOWN BOROUGH COUNCIL MINUTES

July 23, 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:

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

The following members were not present:

Valerie Lacy

Also Present:

Melissa Fackler	Jim Hackett
Judson Moore Jr.	Erik Biermann
Adam Telsey	Wesley Burden
Suzann Pierce	Ray Mattson
Chair Turnbull	Chris Synder
Ed and Elizabeth Strom	Jimmy Lapalomento
Ransome Willard	Edel Huskey
Sean O'Donnell	

Public Portion

Mrs. Turnbull and Mr. Willard from the ambulance hall came to discuss the purchase of the parking lot on Maple Court next to their lot. A motion for the American Legion Ambulance to purchase the lot from the Borough the price will be per square foot based of the portion of the total assessed value of the whole lot was made by Mr. Merkle and seconded by Mr. Hall followed by a unanimous roll call vote.

Mr. Lapalomento informed Council that there will be a church emergency preparedness meeting at the Borough on Jul 31, 2019 at 7:00pm. This is an open meeting and they encourage the community to attend.

Mr. Hiles has asked Mr. Lapalomento to look into possible active shooter training for employees.

A motion to allow St. Lukes to have a car show during the Fall Festival on North Main with a total of 65 cars was made by Mr. Hall and seconded by Mr. Hiles followed by unanimous vote.

Mrs. Huskey came to discuss concerns regarding the rebuilding of the Ambulance Hall and Council suggested those concerns be brought up during a Planning Broad meeting.

Mrs. Pierce discussed the different types of lock boxes that other municipalities use for payment drop off. Mr. Hall will be reaching out to Frank Mitchell to have him get quotes.

Minutes

Approval of council minutes from July 9, 2019 was done on a motion by Mr. Hiles and seconded by Mr. Merkle followed by a unanimous vote except for Mrs. Hyman who abstained.

Solicitor's Report

Mr. Telsey informed Council that Frank Hoerst, Niki Trunk and himself had a meeting to discuss the easements between Woodstown and Pilesgrove for the storm water piping and catch basins for the Pierson development on Eldridges Hill. Mr. Telsey will be working with Niki Trunk on the easements and consult with the Planning Board solicitor on the requirements.

33-35 South Main St was heard by the Construction Board of Appeals and it was ruled that their fine be reduced from \$1,000.00 to \$100.00 for doing work with no permit.

Mr. Telsey is waiting on Niki Trunk to get him the information and suggested changes for the Fire Department Ordinance that Pilesgrove does not agree with in order for him to review. Mr. Telsey will be getting together with Mr. Merkle once he receives that information.

Finance

Tax Report was presented for review.

Resolution 2019-71

A resolution authorizing cancellation of third and fourth quarter taxes for a total disabled veteran was approved on a motion by Mr. Hall and seconded by Mr. Hiles followed by a unanimous roll call vote.

The new CFO, Judson Moore Jr. introduced himself to Council and the public.

Ordinance 2019-7

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.

A motion to introduce Ordinance 2019-7 was made by Mr. Hall and seconded by Mr. Hiles followed by a unanimous roll call vote.

Public Safety

A motion to approve Zacchaeus J. Delaney as a Reliance Fire Member was made by Mr. Merkle and seconded by Mrs. Hyman followed by a unanimous vote except for Mr. Hiles who abstained.

Utilities

Mr. Hiles presented Council with the Water Meter Reading Report and moving forward at the second meeting of each month Council will have these reports to review.

There is a meeting on Wednesday at 1:00 pm at the County Building to discuss the DCA Grant Application.

Well number 5 is coming up on its 1 year anniversary and any repairs that need to be completed need to be done before it's closed out. Mr. Simons will be meeting with Erik Biermann to discuss any concerns in order to get them repaired.

Signage will be put up by the end of the week for the work to begin on Route 40.

Streets and Roads

Harry Vanaman will have his Spraying Certification completed by next year.

General Government

The Police Department will need painting on both inside and outside once funds are available.

Mr. Hackett informed Council he is still waiting on the 3rd quote for the windows and Mrs. Shorter-Carney will follow up with Mr. Rafuse.

Health, Recreation & Open Space

Mr. Hall informed Council that Mayor Don Dietrich and he have been in contact with the Rotary Club discussing the possibility of putting in a pavilion at Marvin Watson Park. Mr. Hackett needs more details to find out how funding would work.

Mr. Hall would like Council to approve moving forward with the winter newsletter edition.

Mr. Hall will set up a meeting with Hometown Press and the Clerk's office to discuss concerns before the content is due on the winter edition.

A motion was made by Mr. Hall and seconded by Mr. Hiles to approve the winter edition of the newsletter for 2019 followed by a unanimous vote.

Thursday and Friday is a two day JIF meeting.

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

Resolution 2019-72

A motion to enter into closed session to discuss personnel was made by Mr. Hall and seconded by Mr. Merkle followed by a unanimous vote.

A motion to enter into open session was made by Mr. Hall and seconded by Mr. Merkle followed a unanimous vote.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned 8:15 PM
Melissa Fackler, Deputy Clerk