

WOODSTOWN BOROUGH COUNCIL MINUTES

September 10, 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	Stacy Shorter-Carney
Bertha Hyman	Valerie Lacy	Joe Hiles

The Following members were absent:

Don Dietrich

Also Present:

Melissa Fackler	Jim Hackett
Ray Mattson	Judson Moore Jr.
Sean O'Donnell	Frank Mitchell
Adam Telsey	Cynthia Dalessio
Chris Snyder	Dawn Boughal

Public Portion

Dawn Boughal who lives at 167 East Ave came to discuss her concerns with the construction. Her sump pump line that had been draining into the street was cut off and covered with sand. Also, her driveway and the neighbors drive have sand and stones where it meets the streets and she is worried as soon as it rains that will wash away. Mayor Don Dietrich informed Mrs. Boughal that the construction is not done and he is supposed to talk to DOT tonight and he will make sure this is brought up.

Mr. Hiles informed Council that in front of the drive going into Cream Valley off of Route 40 is a huge stone pile and it is blocking the entrance.

Mrs. Lacy asked about the cutouts on South Main that had been done by South Jersey Gas and if they plan to come back to fix the large pot holes after the railroad crossing. Sickles is working on a punch list of items they need to fix and Mr. Hiles will be reaching out to John Crawford since South Main is a County Road.

Minutes

Approval of council minutes from August 27, 2019 was done on a motion by Mr. Hiles and seconded by Mrs. Shorter-Carney followed by a unanimous vote.

Solicitor's Report

Mr. Telsey informed Council that he has finished working with Mr. Hoerst on the crossover easements for Pierson Properties LLC.

Finance

Resolution 2019-80

A resolution accepting the 2018 Audit was approved on a motion by Mrs. Lacy and seconded by Mr. Merkle followed by a unanimous roll call vote.

Public Safety

A motion to post within the Police Department for a new Chief was made by Mr. Merkle and seconded by Mr. Hall followed by a unanimous vote.

The Police Report was presented for review.

Mr. Merkle informed Council that the American Ambulance Legion is having a meeting on September 18, 2019 to discuss their plans and where they are in the rebuilding process.

There is a meeting tomorrow with the FOP Lawyer and Mr. Merkle and Mr. Hackett will be attending along with one officer.

September 24, 2019 there will be a luncheon at noon in the Public Works garage to discuss Health Insurance.

Chief Mattson informed Council that he had pulled records to look at the number of tickets issued in Candlelight over the last 4 years and there were only 2 tickets issued for speeding.

Utilities

Engineer's Report was presented for review.

A motion to authorize the release of AC Schultes performance bond for well #5 was made by Mr. Hiles and seconded by Mrs. Lacy followed by a unanimous roll call vote.

DOT is working on North Main Street for the storm water drain repairs and the current time of completion is the end of next week.

Mr. Hiles informed Council that none of the business owners were made aware of the work starting on North Main. DOT needs to have better communication with the business owners.

Mr. O'Donnell informed Council that the work on Spring Garden and Liberty has begun and they are trying to meet the deadline, which is October 4th.

A thank you was given to Public Works for helping out at the Sewer Plant.

Streets and Roads

A discussion was held regarding Elmer Borough requesting quotes for street sweeping services. Mr. Mitchell and Mr. Hackett discussed the cost and labor and believe \$700.00 per day for the sweeper, the hourly rate and benefits of two drivers, dump truck fee per hour, and tipping fees for disposal of sweepings.

Authorizing the agreement with Salem County for motor fuel was tabled until next meeting so Mr. Telsey can review.

Mr. Mitchell informed Council that there are about 9 to 11 sink holes around the inlets in Candlelight and Highbridge. Mr. Mitchell will be calling video piping to get a quote for full day and half day of work to present cost at the next meeting.

General Government

A motion to approve rescinding contract with Archer for replacement windows was approved by Mrs. Shorter-Carney and seconded by Mrs. Lacy followed by a unanimous vote.

Mr. Mitchell will work on getting new quotes off of the approved list of contractors.

No new updates for the projects in Borough Hall.

Health, Recreation & Open Space

Mr. Hall informed all of Council about the upcoming elected official training.

Paying the bills were approved on a motion by Mr. Hall and seconded by Mrs. Shorter-Carney followed by unanimous vote.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned 8:20 PM.

Melissa Fackler, Deputy Clerk