

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
BOROUGH OF WOODBURY HEIGHTS
500 ELM AVENUE, WOODBURY HEIGHTS, NJ 08097
MAY 18, 2016 7:30 P.M.**

Council President William Packer called the meeting to order with the following note: Adequate notice of this meeting has been provided by adopting a schedule of meetings for 2016 which was faxed to the South Jersey Times and Courier Post on January 2, 2016 and posted on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building conforming to the directives of the "Open Public Meetings Act".

Councilman Packer led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The call of roll showed the following to be present: Councilman Robert Yerka, Councilman Harold "Hap" Pye, Councilman Richard Gambale and Councilman Eshia "Jake" Jacob. Absent were Mayor Robbie J. Conley and Councilwoman Cara Witasick. Also in attendance were Borough Solicitor Brian Lozuke, Mark Brunermer, Borough Engineer and Janet Pizzi, Clerk/Administrator.

A motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting April 20, 2016 was made by Councilman Pye and seconded by Councilman Gambale. A roll call vote in favor was unanimous. The minutes were approved.

A motion to approve the minutes of the Special Meeting May 5, 2016 was made by Councilman Pye and seconded by Councilman Gambale. A roll call vote in favor was unanimous. The minutes were approved.

CLERK'S REPORT: The Borough Clerk reported total receipts in the amount of \$659.31. Of this amount, \$536.11 was turned over to the Treasurer and \$57.00 was deposited into the Dog Fund.

PUBLIC PORTION: A motion to open the public portion for questions or comments was made by Councilman Yerka and seconded by Councilman Pye. All of Council agreed. Motion carried.

Frank Hipple, Elm Avenue: Mr. Hipple informed Council that he contacted Chris Harris of the Deptford Construction Department who advised him to turn over information about the vacant home on Elm Avenue to Harry Elton. Mr. Hipple stated that he called Mr. Elton and is waiting for his return call. Councilman Gambale noted that he met with Chris Harris and was informed that the property owner was noticed and it is being turned over to public works for clean-up.

John Eddis, Clearview Avenue: Mr. Eddis requested use of the Community Center upper level for wrestling practice. Discussion ensued. Councilman Packer informed Mr. Eddis that his request will be taken under consideration and asked Solicitor Lozuke to verify that the upper level of the building meets ADA compliance and can be utilized in that capacity. Councilman Packer asked Councilman Yerka to contact JIF for clearance as well.

Upon hearing no additional questions or comments, a motion to close the public portion was made by Councilman Pye and seconded by Councilman Gambale. All of Council agreed. Motion carried.

ENGINEER'S REPORT: Mark Brunermer reported that the bid opening for the Rt. 45 project will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Friday, June 3, 2016 and the bid opening for the Reconstruction of West Jersey Avenue will be held on June 7, 2016. A motion to approve the Engineer's proposals for the REDEVELOPMENT OF WELL #1; DESIGN, PERMITTING AND CONSTRUCTION OF BACK UP WELL #2; 2016 ROAD RECONSTRUCTION PROGRAM; and RECONSTRUCTION OF WEST JERSEY AVE. was made by Councilman Pye and seconded by Councilman Jacob. A roll call vote in favor was unanimous. The proposals were approved.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

**ORDINANCES
FINAL READING/PUBLIC HEARING**

ORDINANCE 5 – 2016

ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF WOODBURY HEIGHTS, COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER, NEW JERSEY CANCELING CERTAIN FUNDED APPROPRIATION BALANCES HERETOFORE PROVIDED FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS AND REAPPROPRIATING SUCH FUNDED APPROPRIATION BALANCES FOR OTHER CAPITAL PROJECTS

Solicitor Lozuke read Ordinance 5-2016 by title only. A motion to open the public hearing on this ordinance was made by Councilman Pye and seconded by Councilman Gambale. All of Council agreed. Motion carried. Upon hearing no questions or comments, a motion to close the public hearing was made by Councilman Pye and seconded by Councilman Gambale. All of Council agreed. Motion carried. A motion to approve Ordinance 5-2016 on final reading was made by Councilman Pye and seconded by Councilman Gambale. A roll call vote in favor was unanimous. Ordinance 5-2016 was approved.

ORDINANCE 6- 2016

BOND ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING VARIOUS ROAD IMPROVEMENTS IN AND FOR THE BOROUGH OF WOODBURY HEIGHTS, COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER, NEW JERSEY; APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF \$1,346,000 THEREFOR; AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS OR BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES OF THE BOROUGH OF WOODBURY HEIGHTS, COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER, NEW JERSEY, IN THE AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF UP TO \$1,095,000; MAKING CERTAIN DETERMINATIONS AND COVENANTS; AND AUTHORIZING CERTAIN RELATED ACTIONS IN CONNECTION WITH THE FOREGOING

Solicitor Lozuke read Ordinance 6-2016 by title only. A motion to open the public hearing on this ordinance was made by Councilman Gambale and seconded by Councilman Pye. All of Council agreed. Motion carried. Upon hearing no questions or comments, a motion to close the public hearing was made by Councilman Pye and seconded by Councilman Yerka. All of Council agreed. Motion carried. A motion to approve Ordinance 6-2016 on final reading was made by Councilman Pye and seconded by Councilman Yerka. A roll call vote in favor was unanimous. Ordinance 6-2016 was approved.

ORDINANCE 7-2016

BOND ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING VARIOUS IMPROVEMENTS TO THE WATER AND SEWER UTILITY SYSTEM IN AND FOR THE BOROUGH OF WOODBURY HEIGHTS, COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER, NEW JERSEY; APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF \$1,883,000 THEREFOR; AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS OR BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES OF THE BOROUGH OF WOODBURY HEIGHTS, COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER, NEW JERSEY, IN THE AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF UP TO \$1,883,000; MAKING CERTAIN DETERMINATIONS AND COVENANTS; AND AUTHORIZING CERTAIN RELATED ACTIONS IN CONNECTION WITH THE FOREGOING

Solicitor Lozuke read Ordinance 7-2016 by title only. A motion to open the public hearing on this ordinance was made by Councilman Pye and seconded by Councilman Gambale. All of Council agreed. Motion carried. Upon hearing no questions or comments, a motion to close the public hearing was made by Councilman Yerka and seconded by Councilman Pye. All of Council agreed. Motion carried. A motion to approve Ordinance 7-2016 on final reading was made by Councilman Pye and seconded by Councilman Gambale. A roll call vote in favor was unanimous. Ordinance 7-2016 was approved.

ORDINANCE 8- 2016

ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF WOODBURY HEIGHTS, COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER, NEW JERSEY CANCELING CERTAIN FUNDED APPROPRIATION BALANCES HERETOFORE PROVIDED FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS AND REAPPROPRIATING SUCH FUNDED APPROPRIATION BALANCES FOR OTHER CAPITAL PROJECTS

Solicitor Lozuke read Ordinance 8-2016 by title only. A motion to open the public hearing on this ordinance was made by Councilman Pye and seconded by Councilman Yerka. All of Council agreed. Motion carried. Upon hearing no questions or comments, a motion to close the public hearing was made by Councilman Pye and seconded by Councilman Yerka. All of Council agreed. Motion carried. A motion to approve Ordinance 8-2016 on final reading was made by Councilman Pye and seconded by Councilman Jacob. A roll call vote in favor was unanimous. Ordinance 8-2016 was approved.

**ORDINANCES
FINAL READING/PUBLIC HEARING
(CONTINUED)**

ORDINANCE 9- 2016

THE FLOOD DAMAGE PREVENTION ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF WOODBURY HEIGHTS AN ORDINANCE REPEALING ALL PROVISIONS OF CHAPTER 57 OF THE WOODBURY HEIGHTS CODE AND ENACTING A NEW CHAPTER 57 ENTITLED FLOOD DAMAGE PREVENTION ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF WOODBURY HEIGHTS, COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY

Solicitor Lozuke read Ordinance 9-2016 by title only. A motion to open the public hearing on this ordinance was made by Councilman Pye and seconded by Councilman Gambale. All of Council agreed. Motion carried. Upon hearing no questions or comments, a motion to close the public hearing was made by Councilman Pye and seconded by Councilman Gambale. All of Council agreed. Motion carried. A motion to approve Ordinance 9-2016 on final reading was made by Councilman Pye and seconded by Councilman Gambale. A roll call vote in favor was unanimous. Ordinance 9-2016 was approved.

RESOLUTIONS

A motion to approve Resolution 52-2016, Resolution 53-2016, Resolution 54-2016 and Resolution 56-2016 by consent agenda was made by Councilman Pye and seconded by Councilman Yerka. A roll call vote in favor was unanimous. The resolutions were approved.

RESOLUTION 52-2016

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RECYCLING TONNAGE GRANT APPLICATION TO THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

RESOLUTION 53-2016

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REFUND OF HOMESTEAD BENEFIT CREDITS

RESOLUTION 54-2016

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A SHARED SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER AND THE BOROUGH OF WOODBURY HEIGHTS

RESOLUTION 56-2016

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RESOLUTION 55-2016

RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE INSERTION OF A SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE IN THE BUDGET OF THE BOROUGH OF WOODBURY HEIGHTS PURSUANT TO N.J.S. 40A:4-87 (CHAPTER 159, P.L. 1948)

Solicitor Lozuke read Resolution 55-2016 by title only. A motion to approve this resolution by title only was made by Councilman Pye and seconded by Councilman Yerka. A roll call vote in favor was unanimous. Resolution 55-2016 was approved.

NJ STATE FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION-STEPHEN M. CHRISTINZIO: A motion to approve the application for Stephen M. Christinzio was made by Councilman Gambale and seconded by Councilman Jacob. A roll call vote in favor was unanimous. The application was approved.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Public Safety: Councilman Yerka presented the Fire Department and the Police Department reports. He also noted that the Public Safety Committee is working on the specs for a new fire truck.

Streets & Roads: Councilman Pye reported that the road program will include the repaving of eight (8) roads and the reconstruction of West Jersey Avenue.

Property & Environmental: Councilman Gambale stated that he met with the Property Maintenance Official from Deptford Construction and provided an update on several of the vacant properties in town. Councilman Gambale also noted that there are people posing as leasing agents and are illegally renting the vacant properties in town. He asked the public to contact the Police Department if they see any suspicious activity in vacant homes throughout town.

Recreation & Civic: Councilman Jacob reported that baseball season is in progress. Councilman Jacob said that he was presented with a 20 year National Day of Prayer Anniversary Plaque from the committee. The Memorial Day Service will be held on May 28 and the fishing derby will be held on June 11.

BILL LIST: A motion to approve the bill list as presented this evening was made by Councilman Pye and seconded by Councilman Gambale. A roll call vote in favor was unanimous. The bill list was approved.

PUBLIC PORTION: A motion to open the public portion was made by Councilman Pye and seconded by Councilman Gambale. All of Council agreed. Motion Carried.

Peg Riordan, Auburn Road: Mrs. Riordan asked Councilman Gambale about a vacant home on Fordham and Vanderbilt. He advised her that the property is now on the tax sale list.

Isabelle Ley, Central Court: Mrs. Ley informed Councilman Gambale that lights are on in the vacant house behind her on Second Street. Councilman Gambale advised that the Police are watching that property.

Gary Logan, Stratford Avenue: Mr. Logan asked for an update on the Mamco Property. Councilman Packer advised that there is nothing to report.

Upon hearing no additional questions or comments, a motion to close the public portion was made by Councilman Pye and seconded by Councilman Yerka. All of Council agreed. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT: A motion to adjourn was made by Councilman Pye and seconded by Councilman Yerka. All of Council agreed. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Janet Pizzi, Clerk/Administrator