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REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING VIA ZOOM COMMUNICATION
BOROUGH OF WOODBURY HEIGHTS
500 ELM AVENUE, WOODBURY HEIGHTS, NJ 08097
MAY 20, 2020 7:30 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor 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 2020 which was faxed to the South Jersey Times and Courier Post on January 6, 2020 and posted on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building conforming to the directives of the “Open Public Meetings Act”. Adequate notice of electronic meeting was published in the South Jersey Times on April 8, 2020, and was posted on the Borough of Woodbury Heights website (www.bwhnj.com) conforming to the directives of the Governor’s Executive Order 107.

Mayor Packer led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance

The call of roll showed the following to be present: Councilman Joseph Getsinger, Councilman Robert Morison, Councilman Harold “Hap” Pye, Councilwoman Cara Witasick, Councilman Richard Gambale and Councilman Jeffrey Pitzo. Also in attendance were Borough Solicitor Brian Lozuke, Borough Engineer Mark Brunermer, CMFO Vikki Holmstrom and Janet Pizzi, Clerk/Administrator.

A motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting February 19, 2020 and the Regular Meeting April 15, 2020 was made by Councilman Pye and seconded by Councilwoman Witasick. A roll call vote in favor was unanimous. The minutes were approved.

PUBLIC PORTION: Mayor Packer opened the public portion of the meeting for question or comment and upon hearing none, a motion to close the public portion was made by Councilman Gambale and seconded by Councilman Pitzo. All of Council agreed. Motion carried.

ENGINEER’S REPORT: Mr. Brunermer provided a brief status update on Borough projects.

SOLICITOR’S REPORT:

ORDINANCES

FINAL READING/PUBLIC HEARING

ORDINANCE 1-2020 FORDHAM ROAD
BOND ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING VARIOUS ROAD IMPROVEMENTS IN AND FOR THE BOROUGH OF WOODBURY HEIGHTS, COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER, NEW JERSEY; APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF \$415,000 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 \$100,000; MAKING CERTAIN DETERMINATIONS AND COVENANTS; AND AUTHORIZING CERTAIN RELATED ACTIONS IN CONNECTION WITH THE FOREGOING

Solicitor Lozuke read Ordinance 1-2020 by title only. Mayor Packer opened the public hearing for this ordinance, and upon hearing no questions or comments, a motion to close the public hearing was made by Councilman Pye and seconded by Councilwoman Witasick. All of Council agreed. Motion carried. A motion to approve Ordinance 1-2020 on final reading was made by Councilman Pye and seconded by Councilman Gambale. A roll call vote in favor was unanimous. Ordinance 1-2020 was approved.

ORDINANCES

Final Reading/Public Hearing (continued)

ORDINANCE 2-2020 WATER MAIN 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 \$310,000 THEREFOR; AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL BONDS OR BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES OF THE BOROUGH OF WOODBURY HEIGHTS, COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER, NEW JERSEY, IN THE AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF UP TO \$250,000; MAKING CERTAIN DETERMINATIONS AND COVENANTS; AND AUTHORIZING CERTAIN RELATED ACTIONS IN CONNECTION WITH THE FOREGOING

Solicitor Lozuke read Ordinance 2-2020 by title only. Mayor Packer opened the public hearing for this ordinance and upon hearing no questions or comments, a motion to close the public hearing was made by Councilman Pye and seconded by Councilman Morison. All of Council agreed. Motion carried. A motion to approve Ordinance 2-2020 on final reading was made by Councilman Pye and seconded by Councilman Gambale. A roll call vote in favor was unanimous. Ordinance 2-2020 was approved.

ORDINANCE 5-2020

ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK (N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14)

Solicitor Lozuke read Ordinance 5-2020 by title only. Mayor Packer opened the public hearing for this ordinance and upon hearing no questions or comments, a motion to close the public hearing was made by Councilwoman Witasick and seconded by Councilman Pye. All of Council agreed. Motion carried. A motion to approve Ordinance 5-2020 on final reading was made by Councilwoman Witasick and seconded by Councilman Morison. A roll call vote in favor was unanimous. Ordinance 5-2020 was approved.

RESOLUTIONS

By Consent Agenda, a motion to approve Resolutions 48-2020 through and inclusive of Resolution 56-2020 and Resolution 60-2020 was made by Councilman Pye and seconded by Councilman Morison. A roll call vote in favor was unanimous. The resolutions were approved.

RESOLUTION 48-2020: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AGREEMENT FOR CERTAIN PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR THE 2019 CDBG PROJECT – ALLIANCE STREET HANDICAP RAMP REPLACEMENT

RESOLUTION 49-2020: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AGREEMENT FOR CERTAIN PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR THE 2020 NJDOT MUNICIPAL AID PROGRAM

RESOLUTION 50-2020: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ON-LINE AUCTION OF SURPLUS PROPERTY

RESOLUTION 51-2020: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REFUND OF TAX OVERPAYMENTS

RESOLUTION 52-2020: AUTHORIZING THE TAX COLLECTOR TO PROCESS 3RD QUARTER “ESTIMATED” TAX BILLS DUE AUGUST 1, 2020

RESOLUTION 53 -2020: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AGREEMENT FOR CERTAIN PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR THE 2021 NJDOT MUNICIPAL ROADWAY STATE AID APPLICATION

RESOLUTIONS
Consent Agenda (continued)

RESOLUTION 54 – 2020: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN APPLICATION TO THE GLOUCESTER COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM FOR THE PROGRAM YEAR 2020 (FORDHAM AND VANDERBILT)

RESOLUTION 55- 2020: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN APPLICATION TO THE GLOUCESTER COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM FOR THE PROGRAM YEAR 2020 (CENTRAL/THIRD)

RESOLUTION 56-2020: RESOLUTION APPOINTING “PROBATIONARY OFFICER” TO THE BOROUGH OF WOODBURY HEIGHTS POLICE DEPARTMENT (TURINO)

RESOLUTION 60-2020: AWARDING AND CONFIRMING EMERGENCY CONTRACT AWARD FOR SERVICES TO THE BOROUGH OF WOODBURY HEIGHTS BY PIONEER PIPE CONTRACTORS, INC.

2020 MUNICIPAL BUDGET: By Consent Agenda, a motion to approve Resolutions 57-2020 and Resolution 58-2020 was made by Councilwoman Witasick and seconded by Councilman Getsinger. A roll call vote in favor was unanimous. The resolutions were approved.

**RESOLUTION 57-2020: BUDGET BY TITLE
RESOLUTION 58-2020: BUDGET SELF EXAM**

PUBLIC HEARING 2020 MUNICIPAL BUDGET

Vikki Holmstrom, CMFO, provided a budget summary noting the local purpose tax increase on an average home assessed at \$177,894.22 will be \$34.89. Mayor Packer opened the public hearing for the 2020 Municipal Budget, and 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.

RESOLUTION 59-2020: 2020 MUNICIPAL BUDGET ADOPTION
Solicitor Lozuke read Resolution 59-2020 by title only. A motion to approve this resolution was made by Councilwoman Witasick and seconded by Councilman Gambale. A roll call vote in favor was unanimous. The 2020 Municipal Budget was approved.

BILL LIST: A motion to approve the bill list was made by Councilman Pye and seconded by Councilwoman Witasick. A roll call vote in favor was unanimous. The bill list was approved.

PUBLIC PORTION: Mayor Packer opened the public portion for questions or comments and upon hearing none, a motion to close the public hearing was made by Councilman Pye and seconded by Councilman Gambale. All of Council agreed. Motion carried.

Councilman Pye stated that due to the holiday on Monday, there will be no yard waste pick up until June 1.

Councilman Getsinger thanked the public works department for the Elm Avenue clean up and thanked Emergency Management Coordinator John Witasick for the work he is doing.

Mayor Packer thanked Vikki Holmstrom for her work on the 2020 Municipal Budget.

Councilman Morison thanked everyone for their work in keeping the Borough running smoothly during this time.

ADJOURNMENT: A motion to adjourn was made by Councilwoman Witasick and seconded by Councilman Gambale. All of Council agreed. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:56 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Janet Pizzi, Clerk/Administrator