

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
BOROUGH OF WOODBURY HEIGHTS  
500 ELM AVENUE, WOODBURY HEIGHTS, NJ 08097  
AUGUST 21, 2019 7:30 P.M.**

Mayor William C. 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 2019 which was faxed to the South Jersey Times and Courier Post on January 5, 2019 and posted on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building conforming to the directives of the "Open Public Meetings Act".

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 and Janet Pizzi, Clerk/Administrator.

A motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting July 19, 2019 was made by Councilman Pye and seconded by Councilman Morison. A roll call vote went as follows:

Getsinger	yes
Morison	yes
Pye	yes
Witasick	yes
Gambale	yes
Pitzo	abstain

The minutes were approved.

TRICOJIF Administrator Paul J. Forlenza presented Mayor and Council with the 2018 State of the Fund Snapshot and 2019 Member Visitation Program Update. Helen Goodwin of the Borough's Risk Management Consultant, Hardenberg Insurance Group, presented an overview of the Borough's Safety and Wellness Program, and the 2019 Safety Topic, "Managing Comorbid Conditions Through Wellness Education".

**PUBLIC PORTION:** Mayor Packer opened the public portion of the meeting.

Michael McCabe, 454 Elm Avenue asked whether the 40 Elm location has transferred to a clinic and Mr. Brunermer responded that they have not come back to Planning Board. Mr. McCabe noted the bad condition of the property.

Gina Haring, 444 Fordham Road advised that her tax bill has increased \$1,500 since 2017. Mayor Packer advised her that in 2017 Gloucester County Assessor's office took over tax assessment for the Borough and explained several areas that may have affected her bill. Discussion ensued.

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

**ENGINEER'S REPORT:** Mr. Brunermer provided an update on the Academy Avenue/Lake Avenue project and stated it would be complete by Labor Day. Update was also provided for Lincoln Avenue. The Fire Department parking lot and the Municipal Building projects are complete. The Central Avenue survey work for the DOT grant was completed two weeks ago. Councilman Gambale asked why the drainage outside the Municipal Building was completed prior to the wall repair and Mr. Brunermer responded that it was to divert water away from the wall until the



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Borough can fund the repair. Councilwoman Witasick requested an update on the issue at Mr. Tire and Councilman Morison asked if cars will be able to park on the Fire Department lot when school starts. Discussion ensued.

**SJG STREET OPENING PERMIT REQUEST-316 POPLAR AVENUE:** Solicitor Lozuke's recommendation to Council is to authorize the Engineer to contact the applicant (SJG) review alternative options to opening the reconstructed roadway. A motion to defer a formal decision on the application pending consultation between the Borough Engineer and SJG was made by Councilman Pye and seconded by Councilwoman Witasick. A roll call vote in favor was unanimous. Motion carried.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

## **ORDINANCES**

### **FINAL READING/PUBLIC HEARING**

#### **ORDINANCE 9-2019**

**AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF \$47,000 TO BE USED FOR EMERGENCY STORMWATER REPAIRS AT MUNICIPAL COMPLEX FOR THE BOROUGH OF WOODBURY HEIGHTS, COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER, STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

Solicitor Lozuke read Ordinance 9-2019 by title only. Mayor Packer opened the public hearing for this ordinance. Ray McKelvey, Lincoln Avenue asked if this amount included both the Municipal Building and the Fire Department and Mayor Packer responded that it was. Upon hearing no additional 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 9-2019 on final reading was made by Councilwoman Witasick and seconded by Councilman Pye. A roll call vote in favor was unanimous. Ordinance 9-2019 was approved.

## **RESOLUTIONS**

#### **RESOLUTION 86-2019**

**RESOLUTION: APPROVAL TO SUBMIT A GRANT APPLICATION AND EXECUTE A GRANT CONTRACT WITH THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE FORDHAM ROAD ROADWAY IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT**

Solicitor Lozuke read Resolution 86-2019 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. Resolution 86-2019 was approved.

#### **RESOLUTION 87-2019**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF WOODBURY HEIGHTS IMPOSING LIEN(S) FOR PROPERTY MAINTENANCE PURSUANT TO MUNICIPAL CODE § 44-15**

Solicitor Lozuke read Resolution 87-2019 by title only. A motion to approve this resolution was made by Councilman Gambale and seconded by Councilman Pye. A roll call vote in favor was unanimous. Resolution 87-2019 was approved.

#### **RESOLUTION 88-2019**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REFUND OF TAX OVERPAYMENT**

Solicitor Lozuke read Resolution 88-2019 by title only. A motion to approve this resolution was made by Councilman Pye and seconded by Councilman Morison. A roll call vote in favor was unanimous. Resolution 88-2019 was approved.



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RESOLUTIONS (CONTINUED)

RESOLUTION 89-2019

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 89-2019 by title only. A motion to approve this resolution was made by Councilman Pye and seconded by Councilwoman Witasick. A roll call vote in favor was unanimous. Resolution 89-2019 was approved.

RESOLUTION 90-2019

RESOLUTION EXPRESSING INTEREST IN JOINING GLOUCESTER COUNTY RESIDENTIAL ENERGY COOPERATIVE

Solicitor Lozuke read Resolution 90-2019 by title only. A motion to approve this resolution was made by Councilman Pye and seconded by Councilman Morison. A roll call vote in favor was unanimous. Resolution 90-2019 was approved.

RESOLUTION 91-2019

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 91-2019 by title only. A motion to approve this resolution was made by Councilman Pye and seconded by Councilwoman Witasick. A roll call vote in favor was unanimous. Resolution 91-2019 was approved.

RESOLUTION 92-2019

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PURCHASE OF A POLICE DEPARTMENT PATROL VEHICLE

Solicitor Lozuke read Resolution 92-2019 by title only. A motion to approve this resolution was made by Councilman Pye and seconded by Councilman Morison. A roll call vote in favor was unanimous. Resolution 92-2019 was approved.

RESOLUTION 93-2019

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AGREEMENT WITH NETCARRIER TELECOM, INC.

Solicitor Lozuke read Resolution 93-2019 by title only. A motion to approve this resolution was made by Councilman Pye and seconded by Councilman Morison. A roll call vote in favor was unanimous. Resolution 93-2019 was approved.

RESOLUTION 94-2019

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 94-2019 by title only. A motion to approve this resolution was made by Councilman Pitzo and seconded by Councilwoman Witasick. A roll call vote in favor was unanimous. Resolution 94-2019 was approved.

RESOLUTION 95-2019

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A SHARED SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE GATEWAY REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL BOARD OF EDUCATION AND THE BOROUGH OF WOODBURY HEIGHTS

Solicitor Lozuke read Resolution 95-2019 by title only. A motion to approve this resolution was made by Councilwoman Witasick and seconded by Councilman Pye. A roll call vote in favor was unanimous. Resolution 95-2019 was approved.



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**RESOLUTIONS (CONTINUED)**

**RESOLUTION 96-2019**

**RESOLUTION APPOINTING RESOLUTION APPOINTING CLASS III-  
SPECIAL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER**

Solicitor Lozuke read Resolution 96-2019 by title only. A motion to approve this resolution was made by Councilman Pye and seconded by Councilman Gambale. A roll call vote in favor was unanimous. Resolution 96-2019 was approved.

**RESOLUTION 97-2019**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF WOODBURY HEIGHTS  
ACCEPTING THE FAIR SHARE HOUSING PLAN AND ADOPTING THE  
SPENDING PLAN**

Solicitor Lozuke read Resolution 97-2019 by title only. A motion to approve this resolution was made by Councilman Pitzo and seconded by Councilman Pye. A roll call vote in favor was unanimous. Resolution 97-2019 was approved.

**RESOLUTION 98-2019**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CHANGE ORDER NO. 1 AND PARTIAL  
PAYMENT NO. 1 ACADEMY AVENUE & LAKE AVENUE ROADWAY  
IMPROVEMENTS**

Solicitor Lozuke read Resolution 98-2019 by title only. A motion to approve this resolution was made by Councilman Gambale and seconded by Councilwoman Witasick. A roll call vote in favor was unanimous. Resolution 98-2019 was approved.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Streets & Roads monthly report was presented by Councilman Getsinger. A copy of this report will be on file in the Clerk's office.

Water & Sewer monthly report was presented by Councilman Morison. A copy of this report will be on file in the Clerk's office.

Public Safety monthly report was presented by Councilman Pye. A copy of this report will be on file in the Clerk's office.

Finance & Administration monthly report was presented by Councilwoman Witasick. A copy of this report will be on file in the Clerk's office.

Property & Environmental updates were provided by Councilman Gambale.

Recreation & Civic monthly report was provided by Councilman Pitzo. The Fire Department chicken BBQ will be held on September 7, 2019 from 4:00-8:00 p.m. The 9/11 committee is selling flags for the upcoming Patriot's Day Ceremony.

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

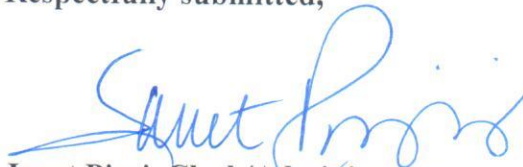
**PUBLIC PORTION:** Mayor Packer opened the public portion of the meeting for questions or comments and upon hearing none, a motion to close the public portion was made by Councilman Pye and seconded by Councilwoman Witasick. All of Council agreed. Motion carried.

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Mayor Packer thanked the Fire Department for the quick response to his neighbor's house fire.

ADJOURNMENT: A motion to adjourn was made by Councilman Pye and seconded by Councilwoman Witasick. A roll call vote in favor was unanimous. The meeting adjourned at 8:51 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Janet Pizzi, Clerk/Administrator