

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
BOROUGH OF WOODBURY HEIGHTS,  
500 ELM AVENUE, WOODBURY HEIGHTS, NJ 08097  
NOVEMBER 18, 2020 7:30 P.M.

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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 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](http://www.bwhnj.com)) conforming to the directives of the Governor's Executive Order 107.

Mayor Packer led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ROLL CALL:** 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 Solicitor Mark Brunermer, and Janet Pizzi, Clerk/Administrator.

**MINUTES:** A motion to approve the minutes of the October 21, 2020 Regular Council meeting was made by Councilwoman Witasick and seconded by Councilman Pye. A roll call vote in favor was unanimous. The minutes were approved.

**Clerk's Report:** The Clerk reported that the RFQ Notice for Professional Services is on the Borough website ([www.bwhnj.com](http://www.bwhnj.com)) and the due date is December 02, 2020 at 11:00 a.m.

**PUBLIC PORTION:** Mayor Packer opened the public portion for question or comment.

Rose Yerka (audio problem)

Charles Crompton, 21 Academy Avenue: Mr. Crompton advised Council of his disappointment in the absence of American Flags at Veterans Park on Veterans Day. Councilman Gambale and Councilman Pitzo apologized for the oversight.

Julianne Thurber, 9/11 Committee: Mrs. Thurber discussed the proposal for the 9/11 monument. Discussion ensued regarding the costs.

Scott Norcross, Woodbury Heights Fire Association: Mr. Norcross asked if there would be any follow up this evening pertaining to the 1512 truck and Mayor Packer responded "no". Mr. Norcross advised that the Santa ride around town will be held December 12 at 4:00 p.m. and requested the Borough's help with purchasing candy canes. Councilman Gambale noted that there would be no tree lighting ceremony this year, however, the tree will be lighted.

Charles Crompton, 21 Academy Avenue: Mr. Crompton asked if the clock at Veterans Park will be replaced and Mayor Packer replied that it is not likely as the replacement parts have been discontinued.

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

**ENGINEERS REPORT:** Mark Brunermer reported that the signed contracts for Fordham Road Project were picked up this morning and will be processed and a construction schedule will be sent out. Central Avenue storm water and underdrains are in; all the potable water has been

Engineer's Report (continued)

reconnected to the existing system and the sanitary system work has been completed. They are looking to start the concrete sidewalk on Tuesday. Discussion ensued regarding drainage on Central Avenue and the County bike path. Councilman Morison stated that he is not comfortable having a bike path on Glassboro Road due to the traffic safety concerns. Mayor and Council agreed.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT:

## RESOLUTIONS

### RESOLUTION 84-2020 A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR TRANSFERS OF 2020 BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS

Solicitor Lozuke read Resolution 84-2020 by title only. A motion to approve this resolution was made by Councilwoman Witasick and seconded by Councilman Pitzo. A roll call vote in favor was unanimous. Resolution 84-2020 was approved.

### RESOLUTION 85-2020

#### MAINTENANCE BOND RELEASE

Solicitor Lozuke read Resolution 85-2020 by title only. A motion to approve this resolution was made by Councilman Morison and seconded by Councilman Getsinger. A roll call vote in favor was unanimous. Resolution 85-2020 was approved.

### RESOLUTION 86-2020

#### RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REFUND OF TAX OVERPAYMENT

Solicitor Lozuke read Resolution 86-2020 by title only. A motion to approve this resolution was made by Councilman Getsinger and seconded by Councilman Pitzo. A roll call vote in favor was unanimous. Resolution 86-2020 was approved.

### RESOLUTION 87-2020

#### LOCAL GOVERNMENT EMERGENCY FUND CRF GRANT

Solicitor Lozuke read Resolution 87-2020 by title only. A motion to approve this resolution was made by Councilman Getsinger and seconded by Councilman Gambale. A roll call vote in favor was unanimous. Resolution 87-2020 was approved.

### RESOLUTION 88-2020

#### RESOLUTION BY THE BOROUGH OF WOODBURY HEIGHTS WITH INTENT TO BOND FOR UNANTICIPATED SHORFALL IN FUNDING FOR THE AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROGRAM

### RESOLUTION 89-2020

#### RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF WOODBURY HEIGHTS APPOINTING A MUNICIPAL HOUSING LIASON FOR THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE BOROUGH'S AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROGRAM

By Consent Agenda, Solicitor Lozuke read Resolution 88-2020 and Resolution 89-2020 by title only. After discussion, including comments of disappointment of the requirement to approve Resolution 88-2020, pertaining to the Borough's funding obligation (by bonding) in the event of a funding shortfall by the developer and the state, a motion to approve both resolutions was made by Councilman Getsinger and seconded by Councilman Pitzo. A roll call vote in favor was unanimous. Resolution 88-2020 and Resolution 89-2020 were approved.

Resolutions (continued)

RESOLUTION 90-2020

RESOLUTION PROMOTING PATROLMAN BENJAMIN P. GRASSO TO PATROLMAN 5 WITH THE BOROUGH OF WOODBURY HEIGHTS POLICE DEPARTMENT

RESOLUTION 91-2020

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING FINAL PAYMENT FOR THE HOLLY AVENUE REPAIR

RESOLUTION 92-2020

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PAYMENT NO. 2 FOR THE CENTRAL AVENUE ROADWAY IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT

RESOLUTION 93-2020

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND ESTABLISHING MAINTENANCE BOND, SITE ESCROW, AND SAFETY & STABILIZATION GUARANTEE FOR STEVE'S STORAGE SHACKS, LLC (BLOCK 38, LOTS 2, 3, 10.01, AND 11 [PROPOSED LOT 2.01])

By Consent agenda, Solicitor Lozuke read Resolution 90-2020, through and inclusive of Resolution 93-2020 by title only. A motion to approve these resolutions was made by Councilman Pye and seconded by Councilman Pye. A roll call vote in favor was unanimous. Resolution 90-2020 through and inclusive of Resolution 93-2020 were approved.

Solicitor Lozuke advised Mayor and Council that he requested the County to update the tax map pertaining to the 2005 vacated Glassboro Road/Clement Lake parcel.

Solicitor Lozuke noted after that after a few questions for the CFO, the new Construction/Zoning Shared Service Agreement should be finalized next week.

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

**PUBLIC PORTION:** Mayor Packer opened the public portion for question or comment.

Rose Yerka, 601 Stratford: Mrs. Yerka stated that she appreciated the Mayor's insight tonight regarding Resolution 88-2020 and referenced a distribution to Mayor and Council earlier today of background information she has provided to previous administrations in the past. Discussion ensued regarding Council's participation in the light rail environmental study public hearing and Mrs. Yerka noted an environmental concern with the Stratford Avenue underground stream.

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

**ADJOURNMENT:** With no further business at hand, a motion to adjourn was made by Councilwoman Witasick and seconded by Councilman Getsinger. All of Council agreed. The meeting adjourned at 8:37 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Janet Pizzi, Clerk/Administrator